

# Star Presidian

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## Schedule of activities

### Friday, January 13

6 - 8 a.m.—Memorial Breakfast at each unit facility (USAG, 864th Engineers, and 504th MPBn.), at LAMC dining facility, and at the Presidio Officer's Club. Cost at the unit facilities will be 95 cents for all non-meal card holders. Advance confirmation of non-unit personnel will greatly facilitate the success of the breakfasts. Please contact MSG Wheeler, ext 2682. Come and attend breakfast with the troops.

8 - 11 a.m.—The Post Chapel, Bldg. 130, the Chapel of Our Lady, Bldg. 45, and the Ft. Scott Chapel, Bldg. 1389, will be open for private meditation.

9 - 10 a.m.—Ft. Scott Chapel Service featuring Chaplain (CPT) James Coppedge, a student at the LAMC Clinical Pastoral Education Program.

11 - 12 a.m.—Main Post Chapel Service featuring Rev. B. Columbus Hayward of the Williams Chapel Baptist Church in Oakland, Ms. Belva Davis of KQED Television, and the singing artistry of Algetha.



12 - 1 p.m.—Bring lunch to the Rec Center, Bldg. 135. Use the time to reflect, to mix, to talk, to listen, to share food, ideas, and yourself.

1 - 3 p.m.—Still at the Rec Center will be the McClymonds High School (of Oakland) Choir, the Sixth Army Band, and several films including the award-winning "Legacy Of A Dream", a very important film which relates Dr. King's struggles for equality in the '50's and '60's with the advances and events of contemporary America in the '70's.

All personnel, military, dependent, and civilian, are encouraged to attend and take part in all scheduled activities as work schedules permit.

## Martin Luther King:

# What he stood for. . .

by Sterne A. Roufa

"I want you to say that I tried to love and serve humanity"

The man who said these words died almost ten years ago by an assassin's bullet while supporting a labor strike in Memphis, TN. He spoke those words as though he were foreseeing his own death which would take place two months to the day following that sermon on Sunday, Feb. 4, 1968.

There were other prophetic words spoken by this man. Not twenty-four hours before his death, he said to a church group, "Well, I don't know what will happen now . . . but it really doesn't matter . . . I have an advantage over most people . . . I have conquered the fear of death."

Was this a man who was seeking death as a release from the troubles of the world as he saw it? Was this a man who was unhappy and forlorn? Was this a man who had given up? I think not. This was a man who had a family he rejoiced in and who rejoiced in him. This was a man who had friends in every sector of society, from the lowest to the very highest. This was a man who had been given the very highest honor attainable, the Nobel Peace Prize. This was a man for whom tears were shed in every corner of the world for this was a man who "--tried to love and serve humanity," and did so very, very successfully.

Unfortunately, there were, and are, people who hated him and everything for which he stood. And what did he stand for?

### He stood for equality.

"I say to you today, my friends, even though we face the difficulties of today and tomorrow, I still have a dream. It is a dream deeply rooted in the American dream. I have a dream that one day this nation will rise up, live out the true meaning of its creed: 'We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal.' " - 1963

### He stood against racism.

"Racism can well be that corrosive evil that will bring down the curtain on Western Civilization." - 1967

### And most of all, he stood for freedom for everyone.

"When we let freedom ring . . . from every village and every hamlet, from every state and every city, we will be able to speed up that day when all of God's children, black men and white men, Jews and Gentiles, Protestants and Catholics, will be able to join hands and sing in the words of that old Negro spiritual: 'Free at last! Free at last! Thank God Almighty, we are free at last.' " - 1963

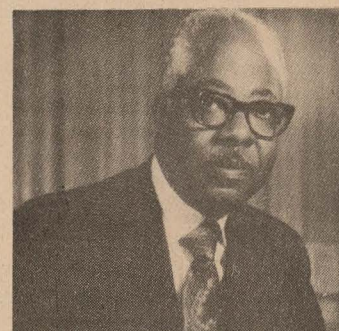
This man I write of was Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., co-pastor, along with his father, of the Ebenezer Baptist Church, founder of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, leader of the Montgomery Bus Boycott, Freedom Rides in Albany, GA, the Southern voter registration drives, the Selma-to-Montgomery March, the Poor People's Campaign and many, many more campaigns.

This was a man who was friend to heads of state and friend to heads of homeless households. This was a man who was loved by many, revered by many, feared by many, hated by many, and, who loved all.

This was a man who was seen as an agitator and who saw himself as concerned and involved. Writing from the Birmingham (Alabama) jail, he said: "I am in Birmingham because injustice is here . . . I am cognizant of the interrelatedness of all communities . . . I cannot sit idly by in Atlanta and not be concerned about what happens in Birmingham . . . we are caught in an inescapable network of mutuality, tied in a single garment of destiny, whatever affects one directly, affects all indirectly. Never again can we afford to live with the narrow, outside agitator idea." He saw and preached the idea of total involvement and concern by all for all and that is how he lived and died.



I've mentioned the fact of his death several times now and I feel quite sure that everyone is very well aware of that fact; but, it isn't his death that we celebrate; it isn't his death that made him great or honored. What made Martin Luther King, Jr. a giant among giants are the deeds which he accomplished, the lessons which he taught, the concerns which he exhibited, and the love which he shared. It isn't his death we celebrate but rather his life which we honor.



Guest minister for the Main Post Chapel Service will be Dr. B. Columbus Hayward, left, pastor of Williams Chapel Baptist Church in Oakland. Algetha Whitehead will be the special soloist for the service.

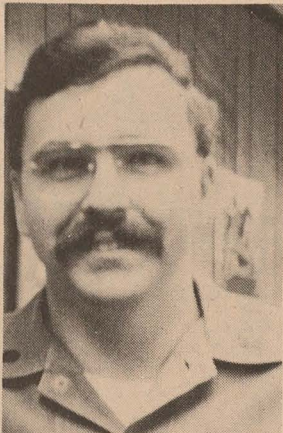
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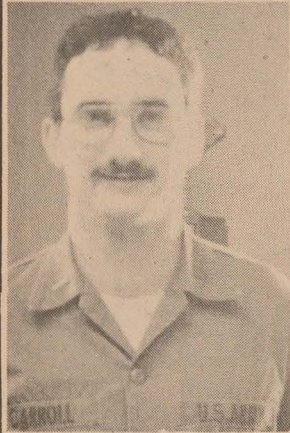


**What impact did the life and death of Martin Luther King have on you?**

**Sp4 Jack Lamb, Post Reenlistment**—"I was still in grade school then, I don't even remember the date. All I ever knew of him was what I read in books. Kids aren't really interested in politics at that age. From what I can look back on now he was a fairly good man."



**SFC Seth Fuller, Assistant Career Counselor**—"It had a big impact on me. It opened my eyes to a lot of things. The only thing I can say is that he was a great man. He did a lot for not only minorities, but majorities also."



**2nd Lt. James Carroll, Executive Officer 16th AG (Postal)**—"To me, even though he was a black man fighting for his cause, it wasn't just a black cause—it was the death of someone fighting for a cause he believed in. His death transcended the racial issue."



**SP4 Arlette Brown, 16th AG (Postal)**—"Not really anything. I was really sorry that he was killed but it didn't have any effect on me."

**Capt. Wayne Lamb, Company Commander 16th AG (Postal)**—"When Dr. King died, I had just been reading about the impact of his work. I was afraid about what was going to happen to America. I thought that if he was martyred, we'd have an incinerator, a bloodbath. But we came through that period pretty well, because his basic principles, his own sober mindedness, prevailed. His belief that 'all men are created equal' as it says in the Constitution, and in non-violence made him the man for the time and place. We live in a better world, and a better Army because of him."

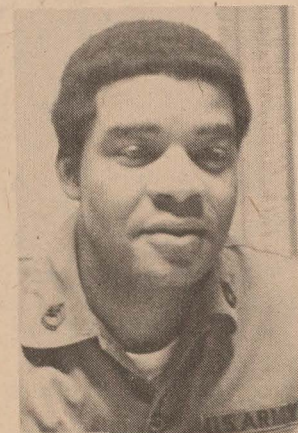


**PFC Sheryl Cummings, 16th AG (Postal)**—"It didn't have any effect on me because I was so young. I realize now what happened and I admire what he was trying to do for all people."



**Pvt. Harold Myers, SIDPERS**—"At the time I was pretty young, but I would say his death was a big loss to the country and the racial movement."

**SFC James M. Wood, Detachment NCO 16th AG (Postal)**—"I'm going to give a talk on that very subject at the Chapel Friday—come and listen to it. But very briefly, I changed from being Negro or colored to being Black. His life had that effect on me, in an indirect way."



**TROOP TALK**

**HQ Co, USAG (Ssgt. KELLY) — SSgt. Ernest Martinez** has reenlisted for six years. **Sp5s Johann Brown and Woo St. Clair** were promoted to Ssgts. The company welcomed **Sgt. Robert Deeter** and **Pvt. Bridget Outlaw** as newcomers. The Management Information Systems Office (MISO) Chief, **Maj. Nichols M. Lagattuta** was promoted to Lt. Col.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn PFC REYES— Pvt's Darlene Adams and Zackery R. Sims** were welcomed to the unit as new arrivals.

**402nd MP Co (Lt. ESPLIN) — PFC David Washington and Pvt's Richard Azar, David Kable and Richard Seglestrom** have just been assigned to the unit.

**D Co, 864th Engrs (Sgt TAYLOR) — Sp5 Stephen P. Wright and Pvt's Michael A. Hagenmiller, Bert C. Metzgar, Arne Nord and Antonio Perry** are all new members of the unit. **Sp4 Tony W. Chan** was promoted to Sp5. **PFC's Kent E. Bullard, Michael P. Claunch and Mark A. Lagrimas** were promoted to Sp4. **Pvt's Gary R. Davis and Danny E. Rich** were promoted to Pfc. **Sp4 John C. Sivalia** has ETSed.

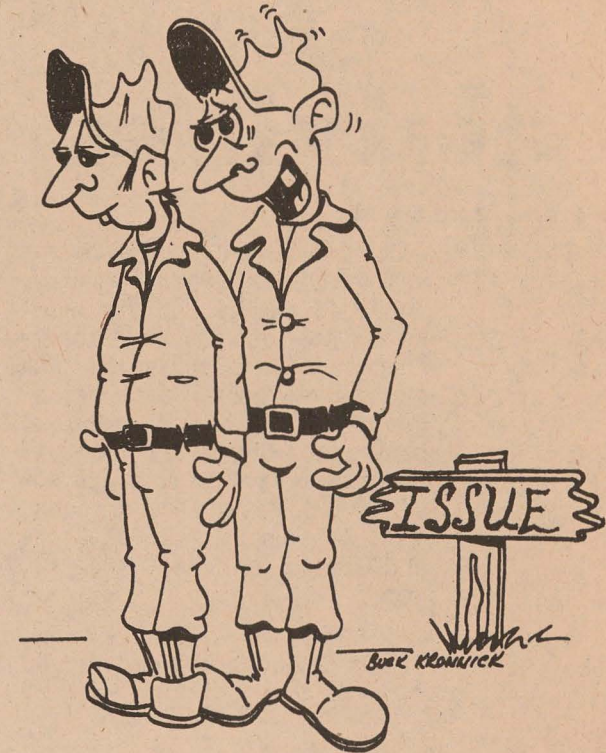
**51st Engrs Det. (SSgt. DeLOS SANTOS) — The Detachment's 1st Sgt. (SSgt Albert DeLos Santos)** reenlisted for three years and was awarded the Good Conduct Medal (3rd Award).

**16th AG (Postal) (Capt LAMB) — The unit welcomed Sp4's Teresa A. Gregg and Ronnie C. Ewing** to the unit and said farewell to **Sp5 Myrna Osuna**, who is PCSing to Berlin.

**SNAFU**

by Sue Kemp

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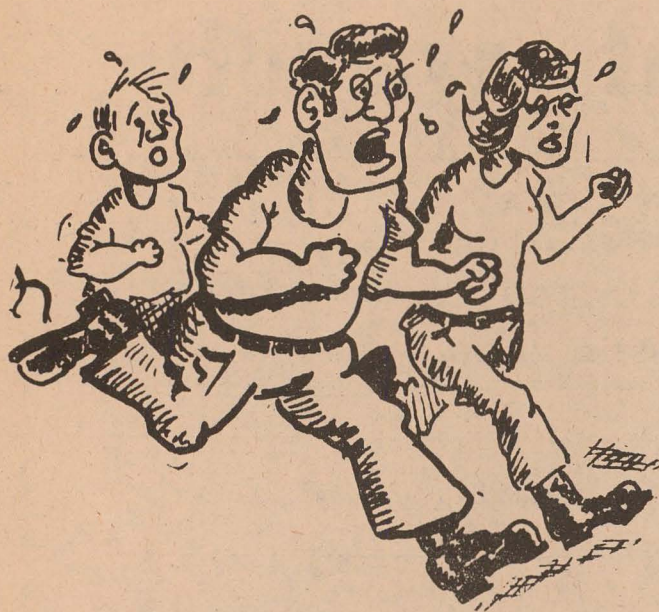
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"I don't care what they say, this is carrying space available too far!"

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### Cross-country run

Recreation Services Division, Sports Branch, will sponsor road and cross-country races on the third Wednesday of each month.

All but two of these runs will be fun runs --- runs where the time will be kept, but places will not count toward the Commander's Cup.

The runs will alternate between the three gyms and will be distances from three to six miles. Starting time will be noon.

In order to encourage participation, individuals may wish to run only part of each race.

The other two runs will consist of the Post Cross-Country and Road Racing Championships.

### The great drought

The Great-Drought has not been all that bad for future fishing in this area. The water has been so low that willows and other forms of cover are growing well along sections where old shore-lines used to be. This should cause an explosion in the bass and panfish populations in most lakes.

Every reservoir goes through several stages during the early years after the new dam begins to fill. As the water level rises it covers more and more of nature's cover. As this happens small bass and panfish find places to hide when they are very small. This means the survival rate is very high.

Lake Shasta is a perfect example. During the worst part of the drought, the surface area was down to about 8,000 acres. When full the lake has 29,000 acres. Now the Department of Fish and Game says the growth of willows, brush and other cover plants is phenomenal. When it fills again the fish population will increase rapidly.

## Portrait of a winner

by Ron Renouf

**Harvey Boddy, Jr.** has been selected as the Christmas Intermural Basketball Tournament Most Valuable Player (MVP) in balloting sponsored by the STAR PRESIDIAN. The selection was made by coaches of teams which participated in the Tournament held here at the Presidio.

The high scoring ace from Garrison averaged 31 points a game for the five games his team played, along with pulling down an average of ten rebounds off of the boards. His 154 total points, 66 field goals and 22 points from the foul line led all scorers during the Holiday Classic.

Also receiving votes in balloting were **Bobby Brooks** from the Sixth Army team, **Ed Gurinsky**, FBI, and **Wardell Miller** of the 402nd MP Company.

**Boddy**, a 6'5", 200 pound Chicago, IL, native, had his introduction to organized basketball while in the seventh grade when he joined the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) in Chicago.

When he entered Dunbar High School in the Windy City, he opened an illustrious four-year high school basketball career that saw him receive MVP honors twice from his school and selection to the All-City Team in 1971, his senior year in high school.

He also played with Leymone-Owen College in Memphis, TN, for two years prior to entering the Army in 1976.

by Ron Renouf

Hopes were high among the 402nd MPs in the first-possible championship game of the Christmas Intermural Basketball Tournament.

They had, after all, battled back from an eleven-point 31-20 deficit at half-time to hand Garrison their first loss of the tournament --- in fact their first loss this year --- by outscoring Boddy and company in the second half, 49-33, to take a 69-64 decision.

In the final game of the holiday tournament, they started off the first half where they had left off the previous game, piling up a 38-26 lead at intermission.

Garrison's depth told a telling tale however, as they fought back to outscore the 402nd to the tune of 45-32 in the second half and eek out a one-point, 71-70 victory and the Tournament championship.

The 402nd came into the finals the hard way. After downing AFEES 63-59 in the tourney opener, they dropped their second game to Sixth Army, 72-66. They fought their way back to the finals with wins over LAMC #1, 62-59; the 170th MP Co., 75-65 and knocked Sixth Army out of the tourney in a 68-56 rematch.

In their first 'final' game against Garrison, their fourth straight victory, **Charles Hopkins** led the charge with seven field goals and another ten points from the charity line for a total of 24 for the night.

Hopkins tied **Wardell Miller**, both scored a total of 131 points for the 402nd during the seven games they played in the tournament. Hopkins hit for a total of 53

### Trout plants

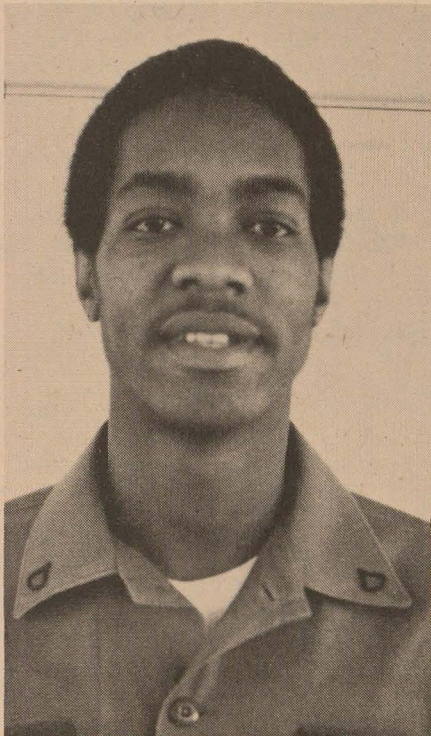
The Department of Fish and Game indicated that if water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters would be stocked with catchable trout this week. However, the recent heavy rains may prohibit the stocking of certain areas reachable only by dirt roads.

- Alameda County --- Shadow Cliff Lake, Lake Elizabeth, Lake Chabot, Arroyo Del Valle Reservoir.
- Contra Costa County --- San Pablo Reservoir

- Lake County --- Upper Blue Lake
- Marin County --- Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir, Stafford Reservoir.

- Napa County --- Hennessey Reservoir
- San Luis Obispo County --- Atascadero Lake, Laguna Lake, Lopez Reservoir.

- Santa Clara County --- Sandy Wool Lake, Cottonwood Lake, Coyote Reservoir
- Santa Cruz County --- Pinto Lake
- Solano County --- Lake Chabot



Harvey Boddy

Boddy plans to leave the service at the end of his three-year enlistment and hopes to gain employment as a cross-country trucker, pushing those big 18-wheelers.

If he can push a rig as well as he pushes a basketball through the nets, he shouldn't have any problem.

field goals and 25 foul shots while Miller ripped the cords for 60 from the floor and eleven more from the free-throw line.

**Harvey Boddy** topped all scorers in leading the Garrison team to the tournament title with a total of 154 points in only five games. Boddy hit for 66 field goals while picking up another 22 points from the charity line.

### Tournament Game Results

|         |    |     |         |           |
|---------|----|-----|---------|-----------|
| 402nd   | 63 | vs. | AFEES   | 59        |
| 6A      | 64 | vs. | 170th   | 62        |
| USAG    | 87 | vs. | LAMC #1 | 70        |
| FBI     | 84 | vs. | 666th   | 61        |
| 170th   | 2  | vs. | AFEES   | (forfeit) |
| LAMC #1 | 71 | vs. | 666th   | 60        |
| 6A      | 72 | vs. | 402nd   | 66        |
| USAG    | 77 | vs. | FBI     | 70        |
| 170th   | 96 | vs. | FBI     | 89        |
| 402nd   | 62 | vs. | LAMC #1 | 59        |
| 402nd   | 75 | vs. | 170th   | 65        |
| USAG    | 70 | vs. | 6A      | 55        |
| 402nd   | 68 | vs. | 6A      | 56        |
| 402nd   | 69 | vs. | USAG    | 64        |
| USAG    | 71 | vs. | 402nd   | 70        |

## Off the Field

by Ron Renouf

My 11-year-old son has been buggin' the bejeebers out of me lately to take him trout fishing so, on the final day of his school vacation last week I finally made it.

We decided to try Lafayette Reservoir. Despite the fact that it meant getting up at 5 a.m. (prior to this time I thought that 5 o'clock came in the evening) it turned out to be an enjoyable and profitable outing.

The gate at Lafayette opens at 6:30 a.m. and since I always like to be first at wherever I'm going, it meant forfeiting a few hours sleep and watching my hands turn purple from the cold.

I've been trying to teach the little varmit the finer art of trout fishing however, so I had to put up with the inconveniences. After making sure he had his line rigged right --- I prefer a number eight or ten hook with very light split shot for weight in casting --- we loaded up the poles, tackle box, net, plastic bags (to sit on) and the most important item to take fishing at this time of the year --- two jugs of hot chocolate.

We arrived at the Reservoir just as the Rangers were unlocking the gates, paid our dollar entry fee, and drove on up to the parking area. After unloading the car --- no small job --- we went on down to the Ranger Station to spend our money. We had to pay to renew our fishing license and put a deposit on the boat.

We finally started out across the lake at 7 just as the sky was getting light enough to navigate without doing anything stupid that would cause us to make an unplanned swim.

The fishing was definitely good. In less than three hours we were back at the station with our limit --- a total of ten nice rainbows weighing in at just over four-and-a-half pounds, or close to a-half-pound per fish average. Good pan size.

They were hitting a bit on the sluggish side, but once the hook was set, they provided a fair amount of excitement.

If you don't mind getting up in the wee hours of the morning or driving about 25 miles from the Presidio, Lafayette is a good spot for trout. Driving from the Presidio, cross the Bay Bridge and take the Route 24 exit toward Walnut Creek and Concord.

After passing through the tunnel through the Berkeley Hills, it's about another five miles to the Central Lafayette exit. After coming off the exit, turn right at the first signal light and stay on this road until you leave the town of Lafayette. Approximately three miles further on, on the left side of the road is the gate leading up to the reservoir. It is well marked with road signs, so you shouldn't miss it, even at that early hour.



# Join the neighborhood watch

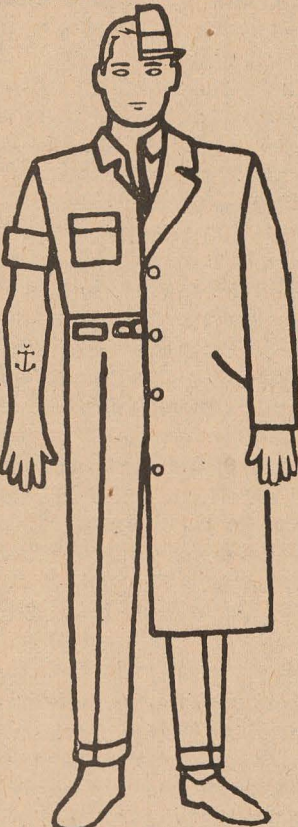
A light rain is falling. The wind picks its way through the scattered Christmas tree needles which are all that remain from recent holiday celebrations. The man standing quietly at the edge of the woods knows that most of the residents won't be returning from work or shopping for some time. As in the past, he's picked his target with care. For several days he has walked the quiet streets, choosing exactly the house he wants. He has targeted Capt. John Smith's quarters, similar in most respects to the others in the neighborhood, but situated at the end of the row, with the backyard next to the woodline.

Having waited patiently until Mrs. Smith climbed into the family stationwagon and drove off, he now makes his move. He walks quickly to the sliding glass window at the side of the house, breaks the glass, and climbs in. The pattern has been repeated many times, and has always brought him a good return for his efforts.

This time it's different, however, because the residents in this area have an effective neighborhood watch program in existence. A neighbor, seeing the man standing in the woodline, had alerted military police. Patrols had converged on the area, remaining out of sight but preventing anyone from entering or exiting.

MP investigators in plain clothes also had moved close to the scene and kept it under observation until the trap could be sprung. When the man made his move and entered the house, he sealed his fate. His arrest ended a string of burglaries which had plagued residents for some time. The success of the operation hinged on the alertness of a neighbor. Because he did not hesitate to call the MPs when something appeared suspicious, a wanted felon was apprehended.

The sheet above should be cut out and kept near your phone. It will aid you in making a suspicious person report to the police. When you see



DESCRIPTION SHEET

RACE \_\_\_\_\_ SEX \_\_\_\_\_ AGE \_\_\_\_\_ HEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_

WEIGHT \_\_\_\_\_ HAIR \_\_\_\_\_ EYES \_\_\_\_\_ COMPLEXION \_\_\_\_\_

PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS (DESCRIBE WHETHER SLIGHT OR HEAVY BUILD, SCARS, MARKS, TATTOOS, MANNER OF WALK, MUSTACHE, GLASSES, ETC.)

CLOTHING (TYPE AND COLOR. USE DIAGRAM AT LEFT AS A GUIDE.)

WEAPONS (NOTE WHETHER REVOLVER, AUTOMATIC, RIFLE, SHOTGUN, KNIFE, ETC., WAS USED BY SUSPECT.)

REMARKS (NOTE ANYTHING SUSPECT SAYS, HIS ACCENT, ANY NAMES USED.)

MEANS OF ESCAPE, VEHICLE (LIC. NO., MAKE, MODEL, YEAR, COLOR.)

ON FOOT (WHAT DIRECTION.)

something happening which is obviously criminal in nature, or suspicious enough to concern you, you are encouraged to call the Military Police. Use the form to jot down the details of what you saw. This will aid you in recalling later what happened and help make sure that no essential details are left out. Neighborhood watch, a highly successful program for preventing burglaries, depends on you and your neighbors to report any and all suspi-

out acts or occurrences promptly, so that they may be checked out.

Questions concerning this or any other crime prevention matter should be directed to the Provost Marshal's Crime Prevention Section at 561-5011. You will be learning more details on Neighborhood Watch from your Senior Area Occupant. Until then, remember, the MPs cannot do it alone.

## Drug Abuse Prevention Week

"Drug Abuse is Everybody's Business" is the theme for the National Drug Abuse Prevention Week, Jan. 16-22.

For further information about the Presidio's drug program contact ADAP, ext. 2663.

## Answer Action Line

If you have a problem you can't get solved through 'regular' channels, or just a question (do zebras have stripes on their tails?) call the Answer Action Line at 561-5463. As long as your problem/question is legit, we'll print the question and the answer in the SP. You'll also get a copy sent to you for your files if you leave your name, phone number and unit.

So, remember that number: 561-5463. It may be the answer to your problems.

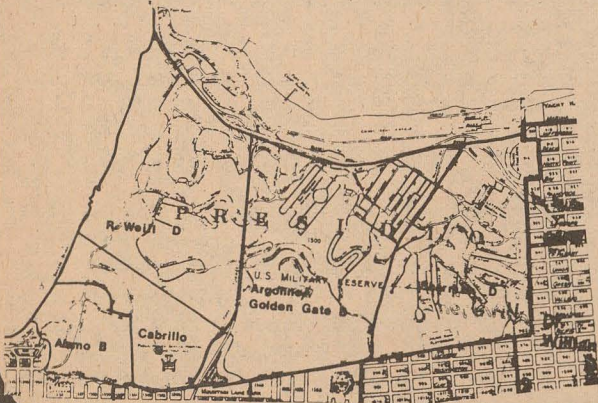
## Closing of schools

The San Francisco Board of Education will vote February 7 on a recent proposal by Superintendent Robert Alioto to close 17 San Francisco schools and convert others into new alternative schools. This plan will take effect next September if the Board approves it.

Presidio elementary school (K-5) children will be affected if this proposal is passed. Those students currently attending Yerba Buena, John Swett, Winfield Scott, Louise Lombard and Clarendon schools may find their schedule or their school assignment changed. (See map below) Special education students may also be effected in some cases.

Public discussions of the proposal are scheduled and Alioto said suggestions there will be taken into consideration before a final plan is submitted to the Board of Education.

For more information contact Dependent Schools at 561-3343.



## State income tax

The Defense Department announced recently that it will begin withholding state income taxes February 1 from pay of military personnel who are legal residents of California.

California will become the 28th state, including the District of Columbia, to receive payments through the Defense Department. A 1976 law removed the ban on such withholdings of state income taxes and states gradually have been working out agreements with the Treasury covering the mechanics of such actions.

## Jobs open to women

On December 22, thousands of additional soldier jobs Army wide were opened to women by Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander, Jr.

His decision permits assignment of women as helicopter pilots, to firing jobs in long range Hawk and Hercules Air Defense Artillery Units, and to combat brigade headquarters.

The action opened 14 more jobs specialties to women, out of a total of 377 specialties Army wide, leaving only 16 still closed. Women are authorized in any officer or enlisted specialty with two exceptions: they are not authorized in close combat jobs at any organizational level, or in combat units of battalion size or less. These include infantry, armor, cannon field artillery, combat engineer, and low altitude air defense artillery units.

This means brigade-level headquarters positions, except those documented for closed specialties, are opened to women. Women may also hold the combat aviation officer specialty, but will not be assigned to pilot helicopters in an attack role.

## Band concert

The Sixth Army Band will present a concert on Wednesday, January 18, at 7:30 p.m., at the Letterman Army Institute of Research Auditorium (Bldg 1110, adjacent to the Letterman Army Medical Center).

The program will include "Music for a Ceremony" by Morrisey, "Capriccio Espagnol" by Rimsky-Korsakov, "Perpetuum Mobile" by Johann Strauss, "First Suite in E Flat" by Gustav Holst, and "Finale from Symphony #5" by Dmitri Shostakovich.

The concert is free and the public is invited to attend.

## Movies

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Wednesday, Jan. 11, The Boatniks (G), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 12, Network (R), 7 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 13, Supervan (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Jan. 16, Sidewinder One (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 17, For the Love of Benji (G), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 18, The Last Remake of Beau Geste (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 19, The Domino Principle (R), 7 p.m.  
Coming soon: Close Encounters of the Third Kind.

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Wednesday, Jan. 11, Slap Shot (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 12, Valentino (R), 7 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 13, Moving Violation (PG), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Jan. 14, The Boatniks (G), 2 and 7 p.m.  
Sunday, Jan. 15, MacArthur (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Jan. 16, MacArthur (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Jan. 17, Network (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Jan. 18, Network (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Jan. 19, Sidewinder One (PG), 7 p.m.

Valentino (R) — The women in Valentino's life remember him as the film traces the idol's career from a "taxi-dancer" to his first major role in the "Four Horsemen of the Apocalypse", and finally to his death in 1926.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

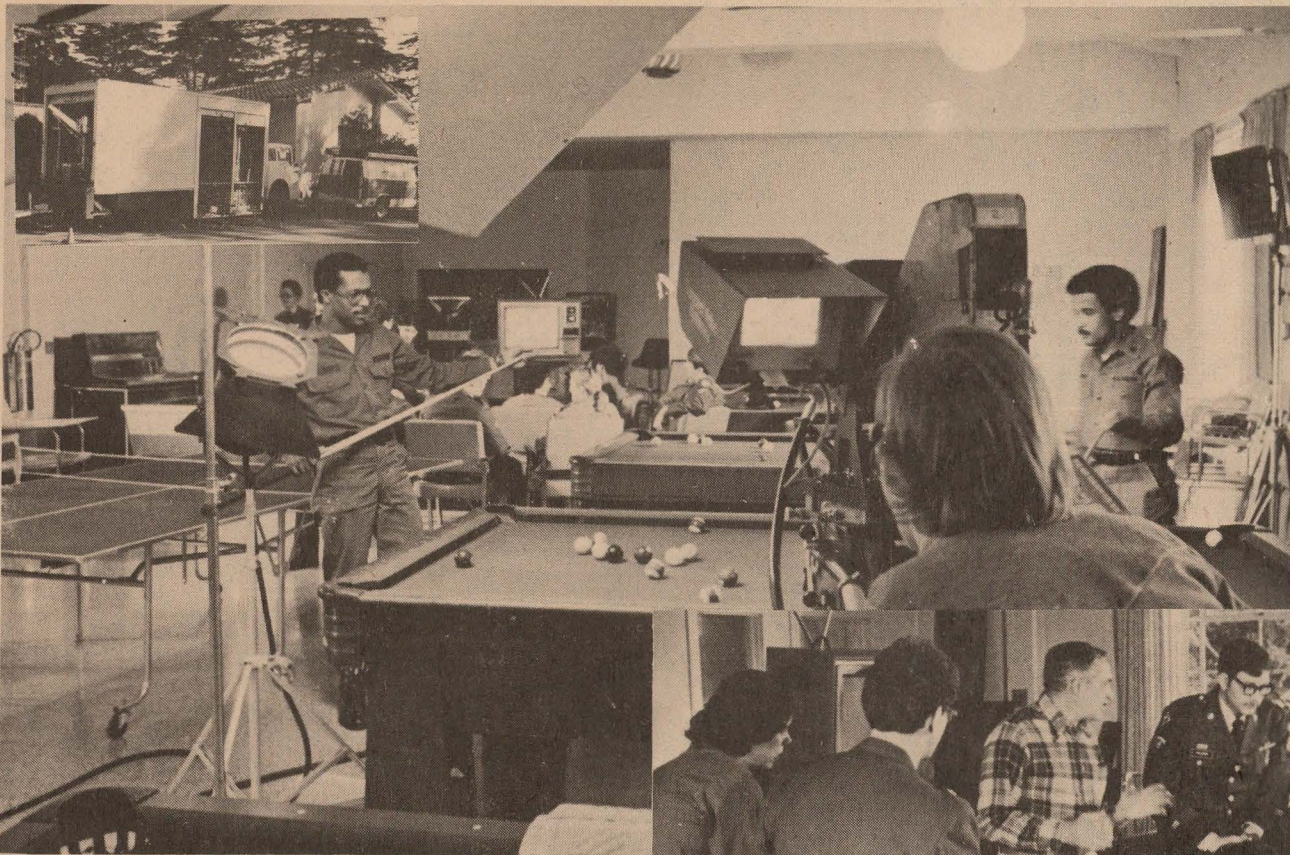
Thursday, Jan. 12, Sidewinder One (PG), 6:30 p.m.  
Friday, Jan. 13, For the Love of Benji (G), 6:30 p.m.

There will be a change in programming effective Jan. 16. The Oakland Theater will be open Monday, Friday, and Saturday evenings with a showtime of 7 p.m.





# Lights, camera, action!



For a few hours last week, the Post Recreation Center took on the appearance of a Hollywood sound stage. Cause of the transformation was a videotape crew from CBS-Television filming segments to be used later this year on a CBS Special entitled, "CBS: ON THE AIR." The program, commemorating CBS's 50th anniversary, will run for seven consecutive nights in March. At top (inset) are some of the videotape vans and equipment trucks that have been travelling over the US filming the show. The big scene, at center, begins with a close-up of a pool shot and gradually moves to the group (photo below) watching the TV. Al DeCaprio (below center), location director for this CBS production, explains the 'action' he wants from the group. (U.S. Army Photos)



## Star Presidian

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# On the road to promotion

by Rebecca S. Hall

Sitting in the waiting room, I began having fourth and even fifth thoughts about my being there. So, who needs to be promoted? Who needs the nervous pressure? Who needs it?

I need it. Not only do I need the promotion (money and all that jazz), but, more importantly, I WANT it. I want to advance, succeed, do well in life. But, surely to goodness there must be an easier way????

Actually. . . . no, there isn't. And there probably shouldn't be. If you can walk into a board, do well, 'pull it off,' so to speak, then you've proven your merit — you have performed well under stress.

But all that comes after the REAL pressure. The road to a promotion gets longer and filled with more 'nervous' pitfalls as you go higher on the scale. The first step on that road to SP5 (which I am on) was, of course the initial recommendation. Knowing the requirements for promotion can put you one step ahead of the game, too. When you're 'eligible,' see about getting recommended.

After being recommended, SP4 Lowell E. Beal called to notify me of my promotion board date. One week to the day. We, Specialist Beal and myself, reviewed my 201 file, my accumulated points, and the possible question areas for the board.

Questions from the promotion board . . . an awesome topic of conversation. CBR, first aid, drill and ceremonies, the M16A1, UCMJ, current events . . . . The list seemed endless. My next job was to find answers to the multitude of 'possible' questions.

Checking around, I was told Garrison had no training pamphlet to help me with this. However, Letterman does, and I managed to borrow a copy. With this, some field manuals, Army Regulations, a basic soldier's manual, and an E-5 husband experienced in



Reporting to the Promotion Board, from left to right: SFC Carolyn Chand, CSM George Cruz, SGM Joseph Guarine and SGM Joseph Norman; is Sp4 Rebecca Hall. (U.S. Army Photo by Sp4 Daniel Jackson)

such matters, I began the battle at hand. . .

Then it was Thursday, January 12, 1978. A little nervous voice began whispering to me at about 5 a.m., "Today is it! Today is the day!"

Needless to say, sleep was no longer to be had.

I dressed, then sat down to review notes, pamphlets, newspapers and to drink cup after cup of hot tea. All too soon, it was time to leave.

Waiting for your 'turn' is probably the most nerve-racking part of all this. But your turn DOES come. Believe me, it DOES. And now you face the music.

I walked through the doors, frightened out of my wits, approached the president of the board, remembering to perform distinct facing movements, saluted smartly and stated, "Sergeant Major, President Hall reporting to the Specialist of the Board. . ."



# Ramblin' Sam



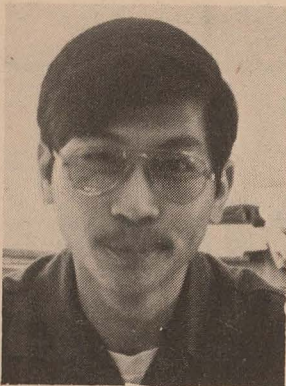
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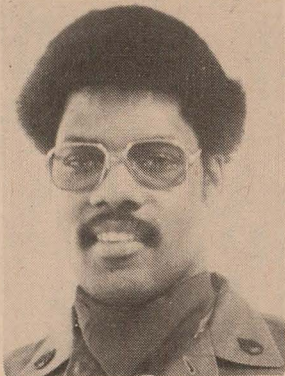
PFC Fred Gibson, 170th MP Co.-"I think it's unfair. If a person's qualified for promotion, whether he has the time in grade or points needed for promotion he still should be promoted."



Sgt. Ron Brown, 163rd MP Co.-"I think the point system is outmoded for the peacetime Army. They need to reevaluate the point system. The job proficiency needs to be accredited more points than combat experience."



Sp4 Jeff Kanoura, Enlisted Records-"I think they're being too hard on E-4's and E-5's going up for promotion. I think all of the cut off scores should be the same."



SSgt. Ron Shelton, 402nd MP Co.-"From the E-5, E-6 point of view, I think the boards could be improved. I think they should ask you more questions pertaining to your job."



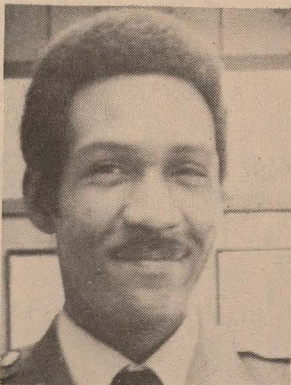
Cpl. J. Jackson, 170th MP Co.-"I think it could be improved. I think that everyone in your grade should take a test and the individuals scoring highest on the test should be promoted."



Sgt. Rolando Manan-sala, 163rd MP Co.-"Sometimes the points for promotion in the MOS's are really high and then they will suddenly drop. I think they should get away from the time in service portion and look more at if the person is qualified or not."



MSgt. Robert Leach, Administrative Supervisor PAO-"It worked for me. I have found that the Army recognizes dedication, extra effort and responsibility. I think these traits will force the system to work for anyone."



SFC James Bates, Career Counselor-"I think the promotion system is one of the better systems I've seen. Being a career counselor, I compare Army life to civilian life. To my knowledge the Army promotion system is the only system where an individual knows exactly how to prepare for and what to expect and knows that he will be promoted."

## TROOP TALK

PAO's own Debbie Miller has been promoted to PFC. She is one of the office's tour guides and part-time artist for the STAR PRESIDIAN. We are all very happy for you Debbie. Congratulations!

HHD, 504th MP Bn (SFC UNTALAN) - Sp4 William C. Ahlers and Sp5 Joseph T. McCullough are new members to the unit.

402nd MP Co (Sp5 JACOBO) - Members of the unit are happy to be back at the Presidio, having just completed their annual FTX and Weapons Qualifications Test at Ft. Ord. PFC's Brent Kostner and William Silcock were promoted to Sp4. PCSing into the unit are: PFC's James Burch, Gary Lee, Kevin Pratten and Sp4 Allen Kelly.

170th MP Co (Sgt TOLLEY) - Pvt's Mark McManus and Gaylene Willis were promoted to PFC and PFC's Mahlon Teter and Perry Norfleet were promoted to Sp4. Happiness is getting in 13 new arrivals such as: Cpl. Gary Dull, Sp4's Ronald Holmes and James Snow; PFC's Franklin Burnes, Phillip Miller, James Reedy, Gregory Rayburn, Thomas Weatherford and Neal Wynia; and Pvt's Anthony Burns, Robert Bousquette, Paul Ficht and Douglas Stubbe. Farewells were said to: Cpl. Felice Wilson and Sp4's Danny Payne and Samuel Jenkins. They are PCSing to Germany.

D Co, 864th Engrs (Sgt TAYLOR) - Now it can be told why there are such long lines waiting to get into the unit's mess. It was awarded the Best EM Dining Facility for the month of December 1977 and was also awarded the Best Dining Facility for the first quarter of FY '78. Congratulations! Sp4 Warren J. Colbert is ETSing.

51st Engr Det (SSgt DeLos SANTOS) - Sp5 Thomas J. Hornak has just received a \$50 cash award from the Presidio Suggestion Awards Committee. Sp5 Robert Alexander has completed the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) Tests. SSgt Albert DeLos Santos has completed the 11B Advanced NCOES and the 43M Advanced NCOES Correspondence Courses.



In keeping with the good neighbor policy between the United States and Canada, an eight-member team of Canadian Armed Forces personnel visited here recently. They are instructors at the Engineer School, with additional duties as Explosive Ordnance Disposal Technicians, based at Chilliwack, British Columbia. The purpose of the Canadian's visit was to establish liaison with their American counterparts, the 548th and 87th Ordnance Detachments.

As a result of this trip and similar visits to Canada by members of the 548th EOD, a formal exchange program is being established so two members, (one officer and one enlisted) of each nation can trade jobs for

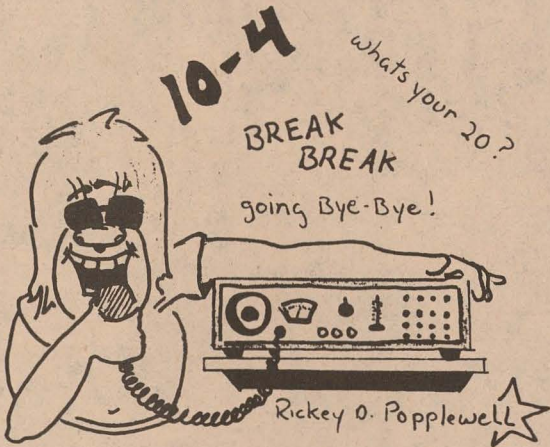
## SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| G R I R O |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| A N K I   |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| E Y O N J |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| T U E R O |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| C Y O E D |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.



In CBer lingo, a basic nesessity

ANSWER:

Solution to last week's: VIABLE, SLOB, DOMAIN, REMOTE, FURRIER

ANSWER: OLIVE DRAB

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

Solution in next week's SP

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### Fun run race

The next Fun Run Race will be held next Wednesday, January 25.

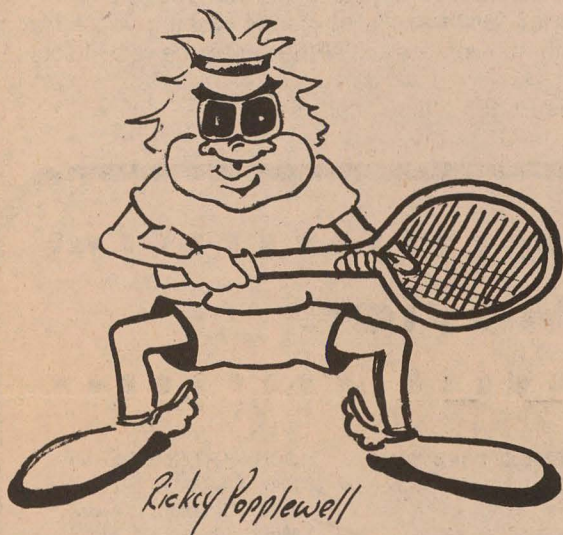
The event will start and finish at the Fort Scott Gym and is laid out on a relatively flat three mile course along Washington Boulevard.

Active duty military, retired, dependents and DA civilians working at the Presidio are eligible to enter. Starting time will be noon.

Persöns interested in additional information on distance running should contact Bob Darling at the Post Gym, Tel: 4120/5032.

### Tennis tip

The volley is played with a blocking motion being sure that the racquet head does not pass beyond the shoulders — unlike the ground strokes.



### Tennis lessons

Recreation Services Division Sports Branch has announced the opening of sign-ups for adult tennis lessons. Registration can be completed at the Post Gym from 8 until 10 a.m. daily.

Lessons will be offered at the beginner and advanced beginner levels, with either private or group lessons available.

Participants in the program must provide their own racquet and a can of tennis balls.

Fees have been set at \$40.00 for ten hours of group instruction and \$60.00 for private lessons. are payable by February 1, and are refundable only due to insufficient registration.

Classes are open to active duty military, dependents 18-years or older, and retirees.

### Keqboard standings

| Presidio League | Won | Lost |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| Reg. IX         | 35  | 9    |
| LAMC #2         | 38  | 10   |
| LAIR #1         | 34  | 14   |
| USACC           | 33  | 15   |
| Spt. Elm. #1    | 27  | 21   |
| 93rd MI Bn      | 21  | 23   |
| USAG #1         | 18  | 30   |
| USASSG          | 16  | 32   |
| 51st Engrs      | 14  | 34   |
| 163rd MP Co     | 13  | 35   |
| Courier Sta.    | 11  | 37   |

| Ft. Scott League | Won | Lost |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 30  | 10   |
| SFFO CID         | 30  | 10   |
| USAG #2          | 28½ | 11½  |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 28  | 12   |
| LAMC #2          | 23  | 17   |
| 16th AG          | 18  | 22   |
| 504th MP Bn      | 16  | 24   |
| LAIR #2          | 15½ | 24½  |
| SIGSEC           | 15  | 25   |
| 87th Ord.        | 11  | 29   |
| 170th MP Co      | 5   | 35   |

### Basketball highlights

The Presidio Women's Post Basketball Team swept a pair from Travis AFB last weekend with a 36-31 win in the first game and a 27-26 victory in the second.

**Coach Ray Thomas** credited a team effort on offense and stated that "It was our strong rebounding and outstanding defense that brought us both victories."

The men's team split a pair at Travis last week, winning the encounter of the first kind, 86-78 and dropping the second by a single point, 75-74.

**Harvey Boddy** paced the Presidio's attack in the first game with 21 points. **Jacob Wilson** added 15 and **Dan Jackson** 13 to contribute to the victory.

Trailing by a single point with 45 seconds remaining on the clock, the Post Five were unable to score while maintaining possession of the ball as they dropped the second half of the weekend action. Again, it was Boddy who led the Presidio in the scoring department with 25 points.

This weekend, the Post Teams travel to Castle Air Force Base for games tonight and tomorrow.

### Trout plants

The Department of Fish and Game indicated that if water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters would be stocked with catchable trout this week:

- Alameda County — Lake Chabot
- Contra Costa County — Lafayette Reservoir
- Lake County — Upper Blue Lake
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- Santa Clara County — Campbell Percolation Pond, Sandy Wool Lake, Cottonwood Lake
- Solano County — Lake Chabot

### YMCA classes

The Central YMCA has started a specially developed exercise program for those who suffer from back pain. Classes are held Tuesday, from 6-7 p.m.

"The Y's Way to a Healthy Back" can correct weakness, stiffness, and tension of the key posture muscles.

For information, call the Central YMCA, 885-0460.

### Intramural wrestling

The 1978 Intramural Wrestling program opened this week as matmen begin preparing for local matches in an effort to qualify for the FORSCOM Tournament.

Individuals interested in competing this year should call or stop by the Fort Scott Gym.

### Racquetball championship

The Post Racquetball Championship will get underway February 14. Competition will be a single play, in a double elimination tournament.

Participants will be classified in either the over 40 or under 40-years divisions at time of registration.

Active duty military, dependents 18-years or older, retirees and DA civilians on post are eligible to participate, however, points toward the Commanders Cup Program will be awarded only on the basis of active duty military participation.

### Basketball scores

|         |    |         |    |
|---------|----|---------|----|
| 666th   | 49 | 525th   | 37 |
| USAG    | 88 | 864th   | 61 |
| 170th   | 63 | LAIR    | 56 |
| AFEES   | 67 | USACC   | 39 |
| 6A      | 72 | 525th   | 41 |
| 666th   | 47 | Dental  | 44 |
| FBI     | 67 | LAMC #1 | 64 |
| 864th   | 52 | 170th   | 46 |
| AFEES   | 61 | 6A      | 58 |
| 666th   | 51 | USACC   | 50 |
| 525th   | 39 | Dental  | 31 |
| USAG    | 77 | FBI     | 73 |
| 402d    | 55 | LAIR    | 50 |
| LAMC #1 | 64 | LAMC #2 | 52 |

# Kite flying is fun, but . . .

The history of kite flying goes back some 3000 years. Centuries ago, the Japanese and Koreans used them to launch military observers into the sky.

Today, however, kites are best known for the joy they bring to both children and adults.

There are no national statistics on kite flying accidents, but it is common knowledge that many youngsters are injured—some fatally—in this activity each year.

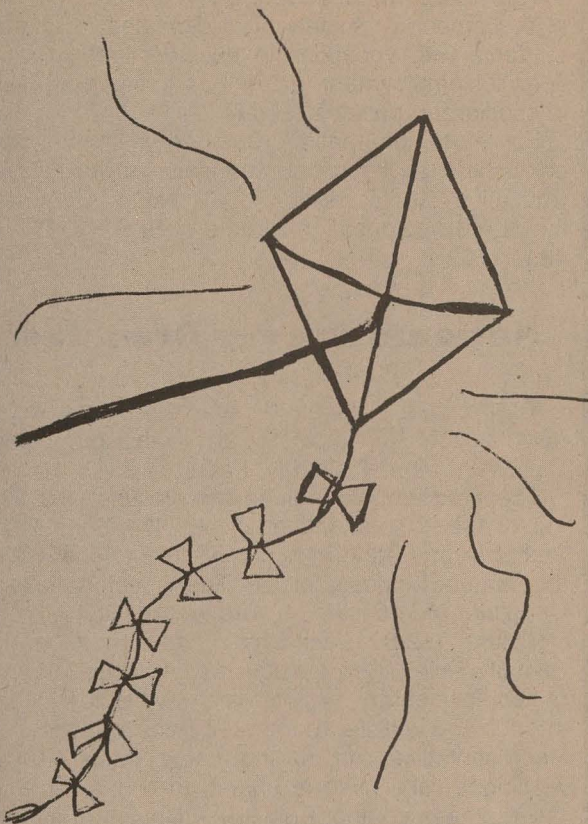
Many children—with their eyes directed toward their kites—have walked right into the path of motor vehicles. Others have been burned when using a fine wire for kite string or from trying to rescue kites tangled in high voltage electric wires. Several people have been killed while trying to duplicate Benjamin Franklin's experiment—'playing with lightning' is a dangerous game.

Even adults have fallen victim to kite flying accidents. For example, while one young father was teaching his three children to fly a kite in their back yard, the string contacted a high tension wire and electrocuted him. Unfortunately, he had chosen to use a string of plastic-covered metal in his kite flying.

The Presidio Safety Council offers the following safety recommendations to anyone flying a kite:

•Fly your kite in a safe area. Select a level, open space where the wind has a chance to level off and blow steadily.

•Keep away from electric wires and poles, buildings, street and highway traffic, ditches, electric signs, railroad tracks, construction sites, reservoirs, and radio and television aerials.



•Fly your kite only in dry weather. A wet string can be a conductor of electricity; wet shoes on wet earth increase the danger by enabling a charge to be grounded more readily.

•Use a string that is considerably stronger than the kite's estimated pull. Do not use one made of wire or tinsel cord; in our crowded world there is always the chance of touching a high tension wire.

•Use reels and wear gloves when flying large kites. These help to avoid rope burns in case the string runs through your hands too fast.

•Never climb a tree or pole to retrieve a kite from an overhead wire or roof. It is better to lose a kite than to risk your life. Notify the local electric company if a kite becomes entangled in its lines.

•According to the Presidio Safety Council, parents should supervise kite flying activities and help children learn to fly kites skillfully and safely. Balance, understanding of winds, proper adjustment of the various parts under varying conditions—all these come with practice and will increase the kite flyer's enjoyment and safety.





You've come a long way, Sixth U.S. Army; you're 35 years old now and the press clippings that testify to your past years of glory are yellower than at this time last year. Those who served with you in those days of World War II remember you well. You got your start at Fort Sam Houston, TX., and from there you fought your way across 3600 miles of Pacific jungle-infested islands culminating at the gates of Tokyo itself. In January 1946, you went into a short retirement but you were back in business two months later when you were reactivated at the Presidio of San Francisco.

Remember those postwar years when you had the responsibility to train Army units already badly depleted by a rapid demobilization? It was no easy task to be sure, but one day in June 1950, another war started in Korea and the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis got the call to arms. This time, however, your colors remained at the Presidio. You trained the 40th Infantry Division of the California National Guard before their deployment to Korea and then in 1965, some 12 years after the guns in Korea had fallen silent, you found yourself looking North to Fort Lewis to man, train, equip and deploy the "Famous Fighting Fourth Division" to yet another war in Vietnam. Their battle honors are a tribute to the standards of training you set for them — and other Army Reserve/National Guard units — who went to Vietnam.

Here it is 1978 and recent years have found you meeting the challenges of the All Volunteer — One Army Program. You've trained, managed, equipped and organized Reserve Components throughout a vast 15-state area. You've experienced reorganization of the Army under the STEADFAST concept.

Today, under the command of Lieutenant General Edward M. Flanagan, Jr., you continue to meet the challenges of readiness in an atmosphere of constrained manpower and funds. You have a game plan that's as thorough and professional as those of the late Vince Lombardi or Tom Landry.

You may be a year older, but you're also a year **better**, Sixth Army, so here's wishing you a Happy 35th Anniversary and all the best in the years to come.

The Public Affairs Staff of  
Sixth US Army

Education Center

Introduction to Business, BUS 119, will be conducted at the Fort Scott Education Center on Tuesday and Thursday from 6 to 9 p.m., January 31 through March 30. This is a general survey of the business world, covering the place of business in contemporary society. It is designed to acquaint students with vocations in business and qualifications for employment, as well as aptitudes required in specialized business fields.

For more information or to enroll in the class, call or visit an education counselor at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216, ext 4445/2974 or the LAMC Education Center, Bldg 1007, ext 4030/3693.

National Prayer Breakfast

The annual National Prayer Breakfast will be held at the Presidio of San Francisco Officers' Club, 7:30 a.m., Thursday, February 2.

The program will include the Posting and Retiring of the Colors and music by the Sixth United States Army Band. Ms. Linda Robertson will be the featured guest soloist. The guest speaker is Chaplain (MG) Charles E. Brown, Jr. (RET).

Tickets (\$2.00 each) may be purchased from Section Sales Representatives. A limited number of complimentary tickets are available for E-1 through E-5 enlisted personnel from the Unit Sales Representatives on a first come basis. Anyone wishing a ticket who is unable to find a representative please contact Sp4 Bruce Nelson at the Post Chapel, ext. 4239/4719.

Change of Command

Command of the 91st Division (Training), US Army Reserve, will be transferred from Major General Edwin B. Taylor to Brigadier General Frederick H. Lawson in ceremonies at the Parade Field, here, tomorrow.

The ceremony will begin at 12:30 p.m., and will include a review parade, music provided by the combined bands of Sixth US Army and the 91st Division, the presentation of massed colors, and the bagpipes of the 91st Division Pipers. The ceremony is open to the public and a cordial invitation to attend is extended to all by the commanding general of the 91st Division.

Commissary hours

Effective Tuesday, February 7, the Commissary hours will be as follows:

|                        |                   |
|------------------------|-------------------|
| Tuesday through Friday | 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. |
| Saturday               | 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.  |
| Sunday and Monday      | CLOSED            |

This schedule will provide full personnel staffing during store hours, particularly in cashier operations which will minimize lengthy lines. Changed hours are necessary due to austerity of funds and personnel.

Longer promotion wait

First lieutenants will have to wait longer for promotions to captain under a policy which takes effect February 1, according to DA officials.

The increased time in service (TIS) requirement will be 54 months instead of the current 48 months. The TIS period (from 48 to 54 months) will be gradually increased over an 18 month period.

Alien registration

Persons holding alien registration cards and in the United States or one of its possessions on January 1, must report their address during the month of January. To do this, go to the Post Office and ask the desk clerk for an Alien Address Report Card. Fill it out, affix a 13 cent stamp and drop it in the mail box. Those outside the United States or its possessions must report their address within 10 days after their return to U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service, Washington, D.C. 20536. There are severe penalties, including deportation, for noncompliance.

Meal prices

The price of meals in the Presidio dining facilities was changed, effective January 10, 1978. The new prices are as follows:

|        | OTHER  |           |                | PER DIEM  |
|--------|--------|-----------|----------------|-----------|
| MEAL   | DUTY   | PERS AUTH | PERS SURCHARGE | SURCHARGE |
| Bkfst  | \$0.55 | \$0.60    | \$0.30         | \$0.85    |
| Lunch  | \$1.15 | \$1.15    | \$0.30         | \$1.70    |
| Dinner | \$1.15 | \$1.15    | \$0.30         | \$1.70    |

Movies

**PRESIDIO THEATER**  
**Friday**, Jan. 20, Supervan (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday**, Jan. 21, For the Love of Benji (G), 2 and 7 p.m.  
**Sunday**, Jan. 22, The Last Remake of Beau Geste (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Monday**, Jan. 23, The Last Remake of Beau Geste (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday**, Jan. 24, The Domino Principle (R), 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday**, Jan. 25, Rolling Thunder (R), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday**, Jan. 26, Rolling Thunder (R), 7 p.m.

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**  
**Friday**, Jan. 20, Marathon Man (R), 7 p.m.  
**Monday**, Jan. 23, Rolling Thunder (R), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday**, Jan. 24, The Swiss Conspiracy (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday**, Jan. 25, The Spy Who Loved Me (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday**, Jan. 26, Confessions of a Window Cleaner (R), 7 p.m.

**OAKLAND THEATER**  
**Friday**, Jan. 20, Bobby Deerfield (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday**, Jan. 21, The Swiss Conspiracy (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Monday**, Jan. 23, The Spy Who Loved Me (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Friday**, Jan. 27, Bobby Deerfield (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday**, Jan. 28, Darby O'Gill and the Little People (G), 7 p.m.

**The Last Remake of Beau Geste (PG)** — Angered that his wife died in childbirth and bore only a daughter, Trevor Howard goes to an orphanage for a male heir. The youth has an identical twin who, even as a child, bears an uncanny resemblance to Marty Feldman. When the boys are grown, Howard takes a wife (Ann-Margaret) who sets her sights on the family jewels and her stepson (Michael York). Some material may not be suitable for children.

**The Swiss Conspiracy (PG)** — Intrigue, murder and blackmail make this film an exciting cliffhanger. The story revolves around secret bank accounts and six people being blackmailed to protect their secrets. Some elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

**Rolling Thunder (R)** — William Devane is a returning prisoner of war who has endured eight years of Viet Cong prisons. When his family is murdered and he is tortured, he embarks on a trail of revenge with the aid of another POW and a waitress who would 'do anything' for the returned war hero.





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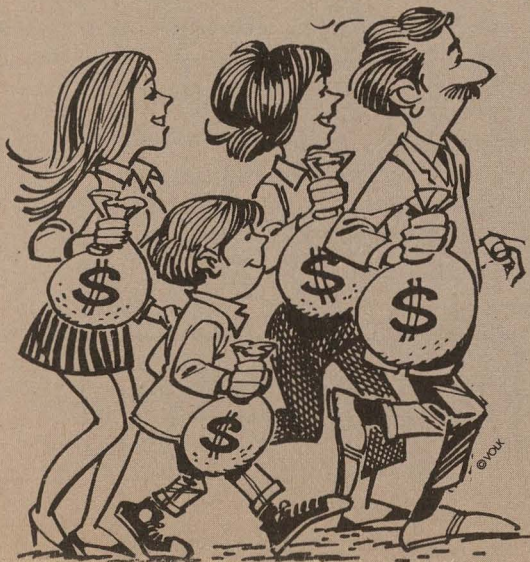
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## Credit equality

Women who are trying to establish credit for the first time may have a few questions on how to go about it. The Presidio Federal Credit Union has a few facts that may prove helpful.



A creditor may not discourage you from applying for credit because of sex or marital status. When you fill out a credit application, there are only certain questions that may be asked about these issues.

You may not be asked your sex on a credit application—with one exception. If you apply for a loan to buy or build a home, a creditor is required to ask your sex to provide the Federal Government with information to monitor compliance with the Equal Credit Opportunity Act. You do not have to answer the question.

You also do not have to choose a courtesy title (Miss, Ms., Mrs.) on a credit form.

A creditor may not request your marital status on your application for an individual, unsecured account (a bank credit card or an overdraft checking account, for example), unless you live in a community property state or rely on property in that state to support your application. Community property states are: Arizona, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Nevada, New Mexico, Texas and Washington.

A creditor may request your marital status for other types of loans, i.e. you can be asked whether you are married, unmarried, or separated (unmarried includes single, divorced, or widowed) and some other closely related questions are permitted. In order to estimate your expenses, a creditor may ask how many children you have, their ages, and the cost of caring for them, as well as your obligations to pay alimony, child support, or maintenance. A creditor may ask you if you regularly receive your alimony payments, and whether they are made under court order, in order to determine whether these payments are a dependable source of income. You may be asked whether there is a telephone in your home.

And finally, a creditor may consider your marital status because, under state law, there may be differences in the property rights of married and unmarried people. Such differences may affect the creditor's ability to collect if you default.

If you are denied credit, you can find out why. If you think you have been the victim of discrimination in connection with credit, you may ask the appropriate federal enforcement agency for advice and help. If you need help in locating sources of credit in your community, you may want to contact a local consumer education group or association of retired persons.

## It pays to shop for credit

by Linda Spillane

Establishing a good credit rating can sometimes be a big hassle, especially if you have never borrowed money.

The Presidio Credit Union, at bldg. 229 next to the Welcome Center, can help you borrow money and establish a good credit rating. To become a member of the Credit Union you have to be paid through, or stationed at the Presidio or be retired from the service and eligible to use military facilities. Dependents of members are also eligible for membership. All you have to do to become a member is fill out an application at the Credit Union office or request one by mail. There is a membership fee of 25 cents plus a deposit in your share account of \$5.00. Once you become a member of the Credit Union, you're always a member unless you close out your account.

So now you're a member of the Credit Union, and you ask 'What can the Credit Union do for me?' Here's what it offers:

1. Members can save money in the Credit Union by purchasing \$5.00 shares. Currently there is no limit to the amount that can be saved by any member. Shares pay dividends rather than interest; last year's rate was six percent.
2. Deposits can be made to the Credit Union in person, by mail, or through payroll deductions or allotments. (Forms for starting a deduction or allotment are available at the Credit Union office, finance center or payroll office.)
3. Share withdrawals can be made in person at the Credit Union during regular business hours. Mailed requests are honored the same day they are received. Telephonic requests cannot be honored for withdrawal of shares.
4. Federal Deposit Insurance is offered at no charge on all share accounts up to \$40,000.
5. Travelers Checks are offered free of charge.
6. Money orders are available on any amount up to \$3,000 at 15 cents each.
7. Free photocopying service is available for your important papers.
8. Low interest on loans (with no hidden charges) is perhaps the Credit Union's most outstanding option.
9. You can use cash allotments and payroll deductions for automatic savings.
10. As a member, you own a piece of the business and can make it work for you.

I think one of the features that a Credit Union has that is an advantage to both military and civilian employees is that they can make allotments to the Credit Union which go into their shares and then can automatically pay back any loan that they might have," says Mr. Wilbur M. Johnson, Manager of the Credit Union.

The Basic interest rates that we have are 12 percent, 10.8 percent and 9 percent. Now 12 percent applies to signature loans, loans on automobiles when there's only 20 percent down payment, and loans on used cars," said Mr. Johnson. 10.8 percent applies to second deeds of trust on real estate, and 9 percent loans are for automobiles with 30 percent down payments or on loans which are called share security, which is the member borrowing his own money without disturbing the amount he has in savings on which he would be drawing dividends. Mr. Johnson continued.

The maximum amount that can be obtained on a signature loan is \$2500. There is a limitation established for both military and civilian based upon military grade or civilian rating.

For example:

E-1 through E-3—\$300 limit.

E-4 has a \$500 limit. All other military, whether officer or enlisted, have a limit of \$2500.

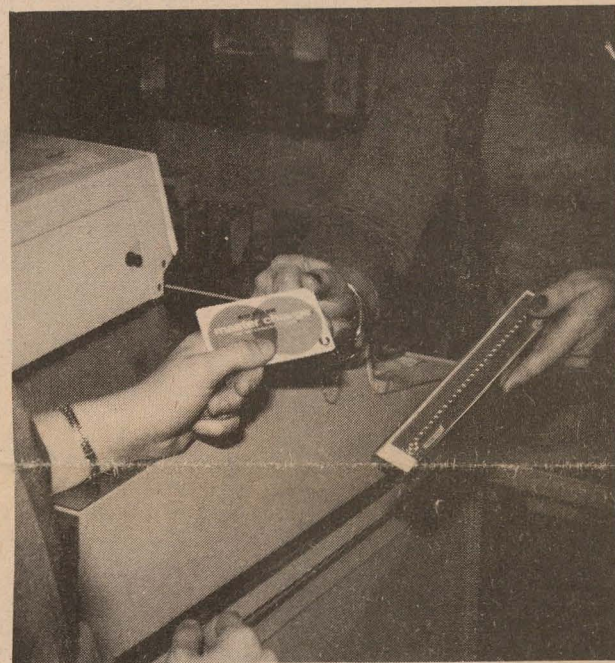
The civilian scale looks like this:

GS-1 through GS-3—a \$300 limit.

GS-4 a \$500 limit.

For other civilian employees the limit is \$2500. (the above holds true for WB employees also.)

The Credit Union can also be used for future credit references. 'We are part of a very large credit checking operation, because we utilize a service which checks peoples credit,' says Mr. Johnson. "It covers a large portion of the United States, though not every state. This is a means of establishing credit for people who don't have a credit rating," added Mr. Johnson. "And it's something to be protected, too, because a good credit rating is a mighty important thing to have."



The regulations are very precise about what credit can be obtained. Creditors choose various criteria to rate you as a credit risk. They might ask about your finances: how much you earn, what kinds of savings and investments you have, and what your other sources of income are. They may look for signs of reliability: your occupation, how long you've been employed, how long you've lived at the same address, whether you own or rent your home. They may also examine your credit record: How much you owe, how often you've borrowed, and how you've managed past debts.

The creditor wants to be assured of two things: your ability to repay a debt and your willingness to do so. The Equal Credit Opportunity Act does not change this standard of credit worthiness.

Under the Equal Credit Opportunity Act a creditor may not discriminate against you because of your race, creed or sex.

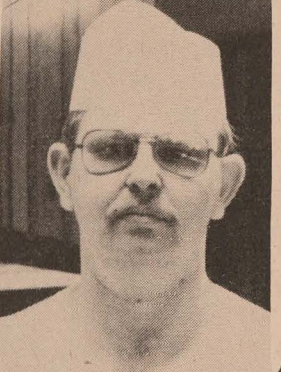
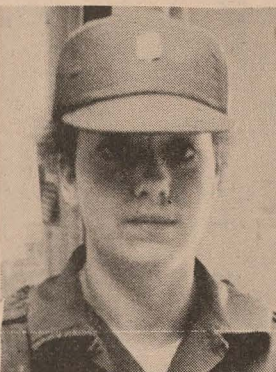
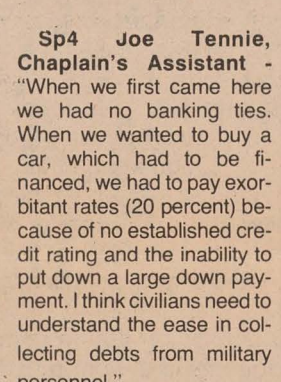
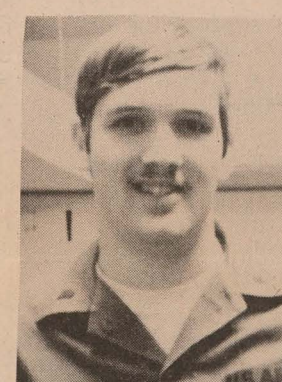
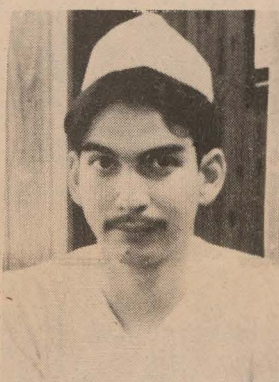
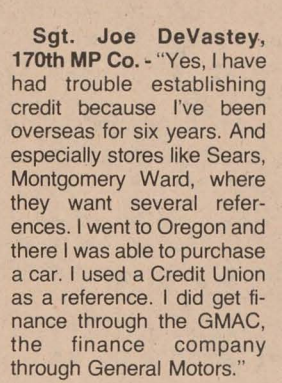
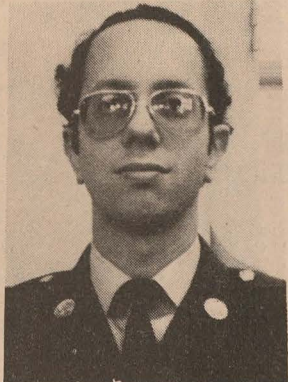
The Credit Union makes it very easy to make deposits by allotment," says Mr. Johnson, "because we work very closely with the finance office. That is a great advantage. It pays everybody to shop for the best type of a loan. In shopping, if you compare the true amount that you're paying for the privilege of using that money, you will many times find that the Credit Union gives you a better deal. You will only be charged interest on the unpaid balance on the loan. You can take a loan and pay it off without any penalty. And when you borrow money we tell you how much you're paying, and what it costs you, right at the very beginning.'

The thing I'd like to stress more than anything else is don't just go to one place. Find out what it's going to cost you, then make up your mind," says Mr. Johnson. "The main advantage is that we're here, and we can be talked to very easily," he added.

The Credit Union office hours are Monday through Friday, 9:30 a.m. to 2 p.m., and on military paydays, 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. For more information about the Credit Union, call ext. 4728 or go to the office, bldg. 229.



# Ramblin' Sam



# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

**Unscramble these five words, one letter to each line, to form five ordinary words.**

|        |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| NERWAD |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| REFAT  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| GISTPO |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TYLHFI |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TCIRED |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.



## It won't replace manpower on the Presidio

**ANSWER:**  
(two words)



**Solution to last week's: RIGOR, AKIN, ENJOY ROUTE, DECOY**

**ANSWER: GO-JUICE**

**NOTE:** The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

**Solution in next week's SP**

# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q:** Why has the stairwell not been completed between the Snack Bar and the Main Post Exchange that goes downhill? It was started many months ago. There hasn't been any work done on it, and I was wondering if they were ever going to finish it?

**SP5 Craig Reed**

A: Your question was answered by Gale B. Gregg, Deputy Facilities Engineer, who stated that, "The 864th Engineer Battalion (Combat Heavy) has been assigned this task. Material will be ordered on February 1, a preconference on or about March 15, and the steps will be completed sometime between April 15-30, or sooner."

The Commander's Action Line is available to help with problems or answer questions. Anyone (troops, DA civilians, families) with a Presidio-related problem that CANNOT BE SOLVED THROUGH THE CHAIN OF COMMAND can telephone, or write in, and get action.

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
Public Affairs Office  
Headquarters, Presidio of  
San Francisco, CA 94129

## TROOP TALK

**HQ Co, USAG (SSgt. KELLY) - PFC William Washington** was promoted to Sp4 and **Pvt. Michele Greenberg** was promoted to PFC.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn (PFC REYES)** - Wedding bells rung over the weekend for PFC Marta Pike, formerly McRee. The groom is Sp4 James Pike of the 402nd MP Company. Marta also received her first ARCOM Award this week. Congratulations!

**MSgt. George Kitrinos** was awarded his eighth ARCOM.

**170th MP Co (Sgt.TOLLEY)** - New arrivals to the unit are: Pvt's Steven Brannock, Donald Fredrick and James Breeden, Jr., PFC Jay Keasler and Sp4 Alan Cicenias.

**402nd MP Co (Sgt. THAYER)** - Sp4 Richard Smith was promoted to Sgt. New arrivals to the unit are: Pvt's Paul Donati, Gregory Helton and Michael Jessup, PFC's Jerry Gilliam and Bruce Rae.

**D Co, 864th Engrs (Sgt. TAYLOR)** - At the rate D Company keeps winning awards they will have to build another trophy case. This week they were presented the Quarterly Re-Up Award (200% of 1st termers & 100% of careerists). Sp4 Jernal Miller reenlisted for three years.

SSgt. Thomas Johnson and Pvt. Larry Mears are new arrivals to the unit.

Sp4 Mark VanDoren is ETSing.

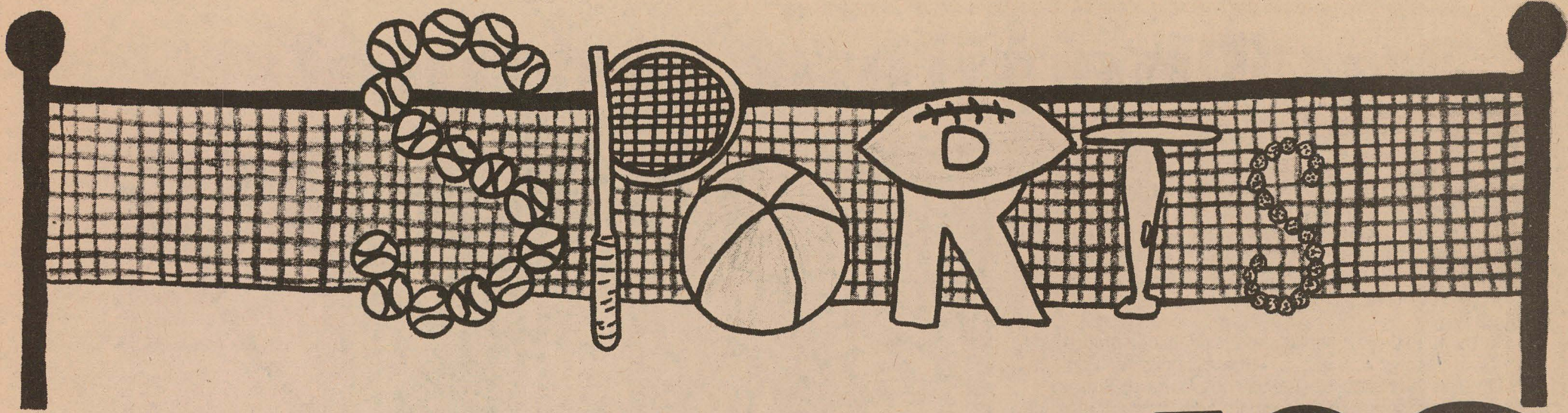
PCSing are: Sp4 Robert Long (Korea) and Sgt. Gerard Klofanda (Hawaii).

**16th AG (POSTAL) (2nd Lt CARROLL) - Sp5**  
Michael Gaskins reenlisted for three years.

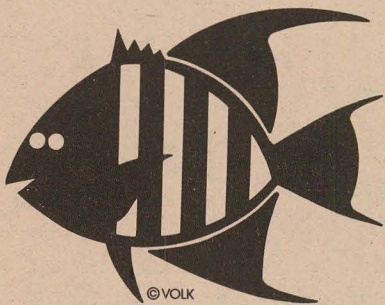
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Trout plants



If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout during the past week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Arroyo del Valle Reservoir, Lake Elizabeth, Shadow Cliff Lake
- Contra Costa County — San Pablo Reservoir
- Marin County — Lagunitas Reservoir
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Luis Obispo County — Lopez Reservoir
- Santa Clara County — Uvas Reservoir, Lexington Reservoir, Stevens Creek Reservoir, Coyote Reservoir
- Santa Cruz County — Pinto Lake
- Sonoma County — Lake Ralphine, Spring Lake

Soccer Results

The Presidio Strikers Soccer Team continues to overpower their opponents. Saturday, January 21, saw them outplay the South San Francisco Pumas as they coasted to their fifth straight win with a score of nine to zero.

It looked like it would be a close game, for at halftime it was two to zero. However, as play started in the second half the Pumas could not contain the Strikers. Randy Kim, John Stankewicz, Tim Cason, Greg Keller, Andy Leon, Chris Marquis, and Dan Griffin were the defensive stalwarts of the game.

The big scorers for the Strikers were **Jody Cason**, **Michael Stojic**, **Timmy Sexton**, and **John McFarland** each scoring one goal, while **John Hagemeister** scored two goals and **Rocky Wicks** scored three.

The Strikers record now is five wins and no losses. The next game is slated against the San Francisco Olympics at 2 p.m., tomorrow, on Paul Goode Field.

Keqboard standings

| Ft. Scott League | Won | Lost |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 37  | 11   |
| SFFO CID         | 36  | 12   |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 33½ | 14½  |
| USAG #2          | 29½ | 18½  |
| LAMC #2          | 25½ | 22½  |
| SIGSEC           | 21  | 27   |
| 16th BPO         | 20  | 28   |
| 504th MP Bn      | 20  | 28   |
| LAIR #2          | 19½ | 28½  |
| 87th Ord.        | 13  | 35   |

| Presidio League | Won | Lost |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| Reg. IX         | 39  | 9    |
| LAMC #2         | 38  | 10   |
| USACC           | 36  | 16   |
| LAIR #1         | 35  | 17   |
| Spt. Elm #1     | 31  | 21   |
| 93rd MI Bn      | 21  | 27   |
| USASSG          | 18  | 34   |
| 51st Engrs      | 18  | 34   |
| USAG #1         | 18  | 34   |
| Courier Sta.    | 13  | 39   |
| 163rd MP Co     | 13  | 39   |

Basketball results

PSF Men's Basketball team romped over Castle Air Force Base in NCRC action on Saturday, January 21, by the score of 86-66.

**Harvey Boddy** paced the attack with 17 points, followed by **Mark McManus** and **Jacob Wilson** with 16 and 14 points respectively.

The women's team split their action, losing on Friday by 55-49. Presidio's leading scorers were **Camile Barone** with 17 points and **Janet Brown** with 16 points.

On Saturday, the Presidio controlled the tempo of the game and won, going away 40-34. **Camile Barone** again paced Presidio with 13 points.

Basketball standings

|              |     |              |    |
|--------------|-----|--------------|----|
| 6th A        | 59  | 666th        | 47 |
| AFEES        | 62  | 93rd MI      | 38 |
| USACC        | 56  | Dental       | 46 |
| FBI          | 77  | 864th Engrs. | 64 |
| 402nd MP     | 69  | 170th MP     | 41 |
| USAG         | 101 | LAMC #2      | 68 |
| 6th A        | 68  | Dental       | 49 |
| 666th        | 50  | AFEES        | 44 |
| USACC        | 53  | 525th MI     | 31 |
| LAMC #1      | 59  | LAIR         | 52 |
| 864th Engrs. | 62  | 402nd MP     | 59 |
| FBI          | 70  | LAMC #2      | 55 |



Karate classes

Beginning Tuesday, February 7, Karate classes will be conducted on Tuesdays and Thursdays at the Ft. Scott Gym, Bldg. 1152, from 5 to 6:30 p.m. Sign up for classes by February 2. For more information and/or signup, call Mr. Reitenbach, 992-3939.

JOG



And add bounce to your life

Do you marvel at the high energy level of some of your friends, especially when you've been kind of dragging around? Ask them their secret. You might find a lot of their bounce springs from jogging. If you decide to run too, you don't have to match your friend's mileage in the beginning. The idea is to start out slowly and build gradually.

The President's Council on Physical Fitness and Health and the National Jogging Association offer these pointers on becoming a successful jogger:

- One of the attractive things about jogging is that it's easy to get into. All you need is a good pair of shoes and a willing spirit. You start slowly and build easily. But, being easy isn't the only good thing about it. It's also the most effective way to train the cardiovascular system—the heart and blood vessels—because it uses the largest muscles in the body, the leg muscles. This makes the heart work harder and become stronger and more efficient.

- If you're over 30, check with your doctor before you jog. If you're over 40, have an exercise-stress-test to make sure you aren't one of the 10-15 per cent of the adult American population with hidden heart disease.

- Since the most important equipment you'll need is a pair of jogging shoes, make your selection carefully. When you shop for jogging shoes, keep in mind that they should feel good from the start without any "breaking in" period. You'll want a shoe with good support and adequate cushioning. And make sure the clothing you choose is not tight in any way. You'll find jogging a lot easier if you're dressed comfortably.

- Think about how good you will feel once your body gets good exercise.

A free booklet, **Successful Jogging**, which includes a basic 12-week jogging program and explains various things you should know about jogging and physical fitness, is available from the Consumer Information Center, Dept. 641E, Pueblo, Colo. 81009.



"Ask me about that problem next week—if you're still here."



# The silent sentinel

by Al West

Entering San Francisco Bay in 1861 was an awe-some sight. As you rounded the cliffs, which offered a natural weather-break, you were confronted with four tiers of guns — 126 cannons to be specific — called Fort Point. In fact, it was often referred to as the Gibraltar of the West because of the number of weapons positioned to defend the narrow entrance to the Bay.

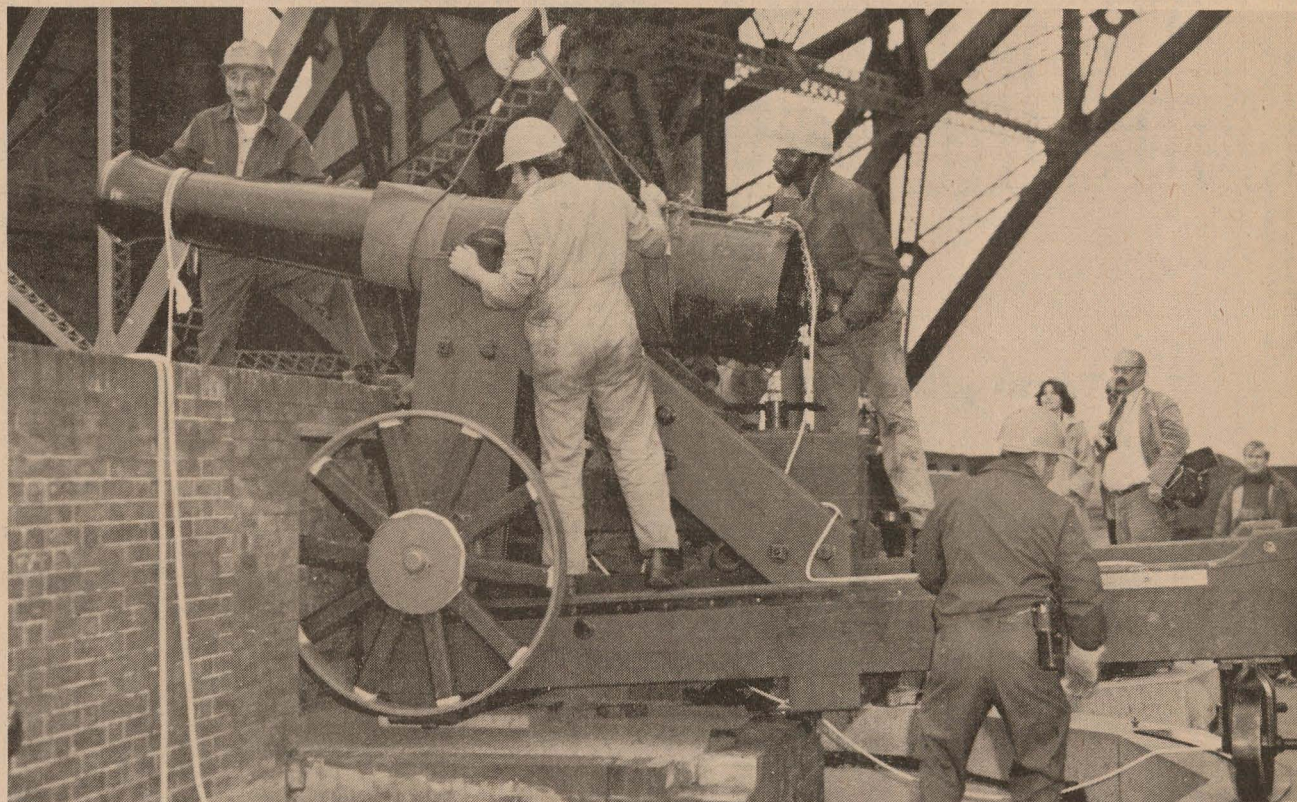
In 1861 the Department of the Pacific issued orders to mount heavy ordnance, large cannons, at Fort Point. This was done with the use of a Garrison Gin, a large cumbersome wooden tripod, and 12 men. But, by 1900 the cannons were all dismantled and sold for scrap or given away as ornaments for cemeteries or town squares.

The once powerful Fort stood as a silent witness to the progress of man and machine.

In 1914 it was slated to be used as a prison, but the high cost of renovation rendered this impractical. Later, in 1920, it was used as a maintenance school. When construction for the Golden Gate Bridge began in 1933, the Fort was scheduled to be destroyed. However, Joseph Strauss, the chief engineer of the bridge, decided to protect the Fort as a historic master piece of engineering. On October 6, 1970, the Fort was declared a national historic landmark.

Now the National Park Service controls the Fort, and they are slowly renovating the interior. Over the last few years, rusted ironwork, decades old, has been replaced, several old cannons brought in and two museums established.

On December 21, 1977, the U.S. Army and the National Park Service, combined their efforts and set a reproduction of an old 32-pounder cannon on the top level of the Fort. It sits in the same location its historic counterpart occupied almost 100 years ago.



The combined efforts of the U.S. Army and the National Park Service put the reproduction of an old 32-pounder cannon on the top level of Fort Point.

The lifting job this time was much less strenuous. The Army engineers used a two story hydraulic crane, which effortlessly put two 5,000 pound carriage pieces

and a three ton barrel atop the historical old fort. Now this 32-pounder once again assumes the role of silent

sentinel, ready to fend off attacking forces should they come against it.

Today, Fort Point still addresses ships as they enter the Bay. No longer bristling with cannons as it once did, but standing proud, bristling with history which has been preserved through the generations.

## The New Shakespeare

The New Shakespeare Company of San Francisco needs volunteers for: Actresses, Actors, Technicians, Artists, Carpenters, Painters, Electricians.

Some experience is necessary. Please submit resumes to: P.O. Box 99386, San Francisco, CA 94109.

## Flexitime

The Commander of the Logistic Control Activity, Colonel George K. Kanemoto, has approved the implementation of Flexitime working hours on a test basis in his command, effective January 15. All non-shift LCA employees are eligible to participate. Introduction of this innovative managerial concept not only allows increased freedom of choice of individual working times and an expandable lunch hour, but also provides wider daily office coverage from 6 a.m. to 4 p.m.

## Azusa Pacific College

Azusa Pacific College has added a World Civilization course to their library of AA degree program video cassette tapes. This course and other video tape courses are available for your review at the Fort Scott Education Center. A field representative from the college will be available Wednesday, February 1, at the Education Center to give you more information about their AA degree program and to answer any questions. Interested persons can contact the Azusa coordinator, Monday through Friday, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m., ext 3958.

## Valentines Day Banquet

The annual adult Valentines Day Banquet, sponsored by the Presidio Post Chapel, Protestant Women of the Chapel (PWOC), will be held at 6:30 p.m., Tuesday, February 14, at the Fort Mason Officers Club.

A Bell Ringing Choir, under the direction of Mrs. Bonnie Halbek of Alameda, will provide a musical treat. Dr. Dan Boling of Golden Gate Seminary will be the guest speaker. All military personnel with their guests are invited to participate. Be a sweetheart and bring your sweetheart to the Valentines Day Banquet.

For further information contact the Post Chapel, 561-4711, 4719.

## Vetreach offices

The Veterans Administration recently reminded veterans living in the inner city that the VA maintains three Vetreach offices in the city for their use.

According to R.F. Welch, Director of the San Francisco Regional Office, the three offices were established to make it easier for veterans and their dependents to apply for benefits.

The offices are located at Centro Latino at 1292 Potrero Avenue in the Potrero District (service available only on Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.); in the Western Addition at 425 Hayes Street (open Wednesdays only from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.), and in Chinatown on the second floor at 1074 Stockton Street (open Thursdays only from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.).

For further information concerning services offered at the three Vetreach or Outreach offices, veterans and their dependents may call (415) 495-8900.

## Interior designer luncheon

Do you sacrifice what you really want for your home in view of the time when you settle down permanently? Do you worry about the adaptability of your drapes, carpets, and furniture in new quarters? Kennie Lupton, an interior designer managing her own design firm, knows these problems firsthand as an Army physician's wife. She will be the speaker at the Letterman Women's Club luncheon on Thursday, February 9, at the Presidio Officers' Club, and will focus her talk on achieving a home environment in tune with our present needs while also planning for the future.

Hostesses for the luncheon will be from the Department of Surgery and the Army Nurse Corps. Social hour begins at 11 a.m., and lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m. Reservations are requested by noon, Tuesday, February 7. In San Francisco call Ginny Amos (561-2595), and in Marin call either Randy Smith (472-2568) or Judy Burnam (479-7190).

## LES statements

Leave and Earning Statements (LES) should reflect Regular Military Compensation (RMC) beginning February, Department of the Army officials say.

On a monthly basis, LESs will spell out in the remarks section how much your tax benefits, mess facilities and quarters are worth in dollars. For people in government quarters and for others who do not receive separate rations, the additional information should give an idea of what their non-cash benefits are worth, according to an official. (ARNEWS)

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Jan. 27, The Swiss Conspiracy (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 28, Digby — The Biggest Dog in the World (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Jan. 28, The Swiss Conspiracy (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Jan. 29, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 30, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 1, The Farmer (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2, Joseph Andrews (R), 7 p.m.

### DAMNATION ALLEY (PG)

A futuristic drama about a handful of nuclear war survivors charting an odyssey across the US in search of other human life. Giant mutant insects, tidal waves, tornadoes and psychedelic skies are only a few of the terrors and wonders which result from the earth being knocked off its axis by the nuclear holocaust. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

### CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND (PG)

It all begins in a small Indiana town where some local people are deeply affected by UFO sightings and unexplained occurrences. They receive telepathic visions of a mountain and a pilgrimage beyond the imagination.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Jan. 27, The Farmer (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, Jan. 30, Bobby Deerfield (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Jan. 31, Darby O'Gill and the Little People (G), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 1, Three in the Attic (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 2, Truck Stop Women (R), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Monday, Jan. 30, The Farmer (R), 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 3, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4, Joseph Andrews (R), 7 p.m.

The HUB Recreation Center at Oakland Army Base will sponsor a Free 'Close Encounters Party' from 5 until 8:30 p.m., Friday, February 3.

Free coffee and refreshments will be served and all game equipment will be available.

The HUB Recreation Center is located directly across the street from the Oakland Army Base Theater.

### JOSEPH ANDREWS (R)

In 18th Century England, Lady Booby (Ann-Margret) although publicly grieving for her late husband, admires footman Joseph Andrews (Peter Firth) obvious charms. When he rebuffs her, she dismisses him and thus begins a series of misadventures for the lovesick Joseph and Fanny.





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## The Year of the Horse

by Al West

There's a dragon coming to town and it's going to make an appearance in the Chinese New Year festival, a nine day celebration, beginning on February 11. This will mark the beginning of the lunar year 4676, the Year of the Horse. That's right, the Year of the Horse!

Years named after animals? How did it all come about? Well, four thousand six hundred and seventy-six years ago, the Chinese started their calendar with a 12 year cycle. Every 12 years since, the calendar cycle has repeated itself.

A popular folk legend which reflects this cycle concerns the 12 animal signs.

According to one Chinese legend, the 12 animals quarreled one day over who was to head the cycle of years. The gods were asked to decide and they held a contest: whoever was to reach the opposite bank of the river would be first, and rest of the animals would receive years according to their finish.

All the 12 animals gathered at the river bank and jumped in. Unknown to the ox, the rat had jumped on his back. As the ox was about to jump ashore, the rat jumped off the ox's back and won the race. The ox came in second, then came the tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, sheep, monkey, chicken and the dog. The pig, who was very lazy, ended up last.

Another conflicting legend says that at that time Buddha called all the animals on earth to him. He promised that those who came to pay homage would receive a gift for their loyalty. As a mark of honor, they would be given a year which would thereafter be named for them. Of all the animals in the world, only these 12 came. And they came in this order: rat, ox, tiger, rabbit, dragon, snake, horse, sheep, monkey, chicken, dog and pig.

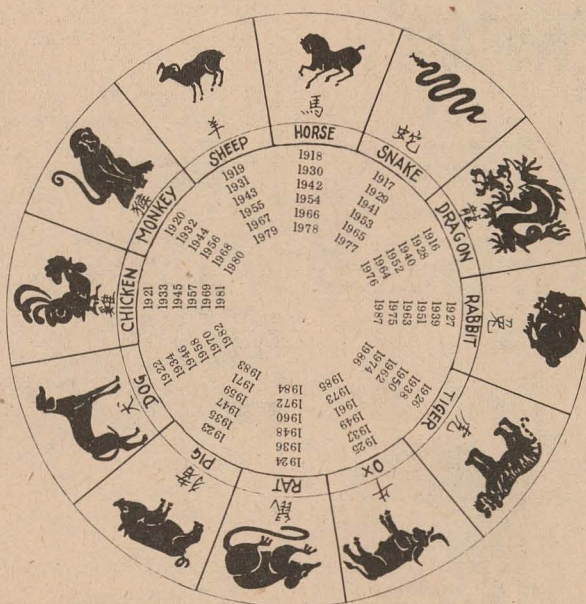
One might also note, of the 12 animals, six are domesticated (horse, sheep, chicken, ox, dog and pig), five are wild (snake, monkey, rat, tiger and rabbit), and one is mythological (dragon). Except for the dragon, all are native to ancient China.

According to tradition, each animal contributes its characteristic traits to its special year, making it distinctly its own. People born in that year will have those traits peculiar to that particular animal.

From these 12 animals came the Chinese zodiacal symbols from which a person's fortune may be told. Character may be defined, as well as strengths and weaknesses. Also it may determine the course of his or her life, socially, personally, and to some extent politically.

The ancient Chinese Almanac says a person born during a horse year, like this year, is popular, cheerful, skillful with money, and perceptive, although sometimes too talkative. They are wise, talented, good with their hands, and sometimes have a weakness for members of the opposite sex. They are impatient and hot-blooded about everything except their daily work. They like entertainment and large crowds. They are very independent and rarely listen to advice. They are most compatible with tiger, dog, and sheep-year people.

This great and ancient culture has come down to us through the ages. Look at the zodiac calendar and find your sign. Then check and see if your life style fits the animal in your year.



**SHEEP:** You are a sensitive, refined, aesthetic type with considerable talent in all the arts. Indeed, success or failure will depend upon whether you can "shepherd" your ability and energy into a single field. You are most compatible with rabbits, pigs and horses.

**MONKEY:** In today's jargon, you are a swinger. And because of your flair for decision making and surefooted feel for finance, you are certain to climb to the top. You are most compatible with dragons and rats.

**CHICKEN:** You either score heavily or lay a large egg. Although outspoken and not shy in groups, you are basically a loner who doesn't trust most people. yet you are capable of attracting close and loyal friends. You are most compatible with oxen, snakes, and dragons.

**DOG:** You are loyal and honest with a deep sense of duty and justice. Can always be trusted to guard the secrets of others. You are most compatible with horses, tigers, and rabbits.

**PIG:** The quiet inner strength of your character is outwardly reflected by courtesy and breeding. Your driving ambition will lead you to success. You are most compatible with rabbits and sheep.

**RAT:** You have been blessed with great personal charm, a taste for the better things in life, and considerable self-control which restrains your quick temper. You are most compatible with dragons, monkeys, and oxen.

**OX:** You have a calm patient nature. Friends turn to you because you are that rarest of creatures — a good listener. Love bewilders you, so many people wrongly consider you cold. You are most compatible with snakes, chickens, and rats.

**TIGER:** You are a person of great extremes. A sympathetic and considerate friend. A powerful and dangerous enemy. In your career you are both a deep thinker and a careful planner. You are most compatible with horses, dragons and dogs.

**RABBIT:** You are blessed with extraordinary good fortune and will inevitably provide financial success. This luck of yours not only extends to your business interests, but also to games of chance. You are most compatible with the sheep, pigs, and dogs.

**DRAGON:** Your reputation as a fire-eater is based on your outward show of stubbornness, bluster and short temper. But underneath you are really gentle, sensitive and soft hearted. You are most compatible with rats, snakes, monkeys and chickens.

**SNAKE:** You have more than your share of the world's gifts, including basic wisdom. You are likely to be handsome, well-formed men and graceful, beautiful women. You are most compatible with oxen and chickens.

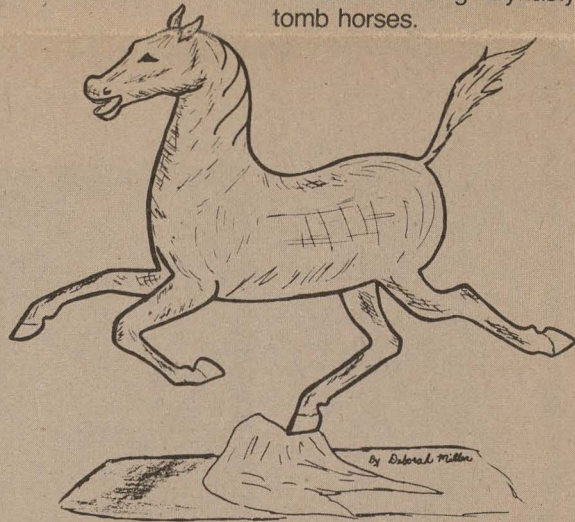
## Chinese New Year

**Ongoing:** A variety of behind-the-scenes Festival Walking Tours of Chinatown are offered throughout the Chinese New Year holiday season.

**Feb. 1 - 17:** Golden Dragon and other parade artifacts on show at the corner of Clay and Davis, 3 Embarcadero Center.

**Sun., Feb. 5, 9 a.m.:** Chinatown Run '78, sponsored by the Chinatown YMCA, open to Bay Area residents of all ages. Starts at Grant and Bush and follows three and six-mile courses via Grant, Broadway, Powell, North Point, Embarcadero, Battery and Sacramento. Participants may register from 7:30 to 8:45 a.m. on the race day at the sign-up tables on the corner of Grant and Bush Streets. Call Kurt Chun, 982-4412 for information.

**Feb. 6 - through 1978:** Special Year of the Horse Exhibit of T'ang Dynasty tomb horses.



**Feb. 8 - Mar. 31, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.:** First West Coast Exhibition of 80 Peasant Paintings from Huhsien, Chinese Culture Center, 750 Kearny, 3rd Floor of the Holiday Inn.

**Sat. Feb. 11, 8 p.m.:** Miss Chinatown USA Pageant with 16 title seekers from all over the country participating in talent-beauty contest, Masonic Auditorium, 1111 California St. Call 982-3000 for ticket information.

**Sat. Feb. 18, 6 - 8 p.m.:** Pre-Parade Dixieland Music by Mike Tillis and his band - reviewing stand area.

**7 p.m.:** Golden Dragon Parade starring glittering, 150-foot Gum Lung, features Ch'ing dynasty wedding procession, illuminated floats, towering oriental deities, Miss Chinatown finalists, fabulous figures from Chinese folklore, hundreds of costumed marchers and musicians.

Parade route starts at Pine and Battery, moves south on Battery to Market, west on Market to Grant, north on Grant to Bush, east on Bush to Kearny, and north on Kearny, passing the reviewing stand on east side of Kearny between Pine and California and terminating at Jackson St.

For reserved bleacher seats call the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, 730 Sacramento St., 982-3000.

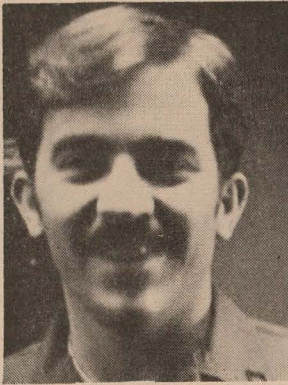


# Ramblin' Sam

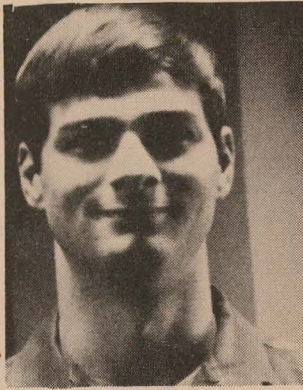


**Tax time is nigh, so this week we asked "how is your tax return prepared and how do you feel about paying it?" Next week, watch for our article on how to prepare your own income tax.**

**PFC Jim McRoy, 864th Engrs.** — "I did mine myself. It was pretty self explanatory. I think there should be a flat percentage rate varying from ten to twenty percent. The tax rate is not proportional for people in the low and high income brackets."



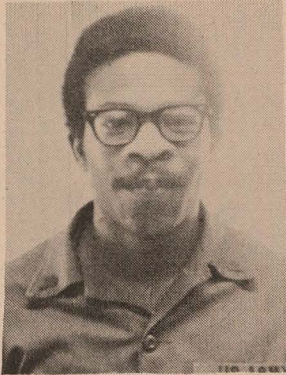
**PFC Pat Butler, 402nd MP Co.** — "Usually my father does it. I believe that we need income taxes to keep up roads, national parks and things like that."



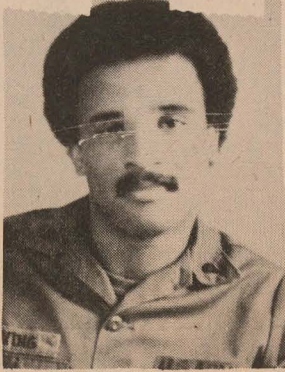
**Sp4 Wayne Dauphine, PAC Distribution Clerk** — "A personal business consultant does mine. If we pay the federal government it becomes stronger. In turn, it should make me stronger."



**Sp4 Greg Parsons, 864th Engrs.** — "I do it myself. Federal tax is fair and I can see paying that. But I can't see paying state tax when I'm not even living there. For instance if I had a hardship tour and my wife was in Oregon I would have to pay tax on my military salary to Oregon."

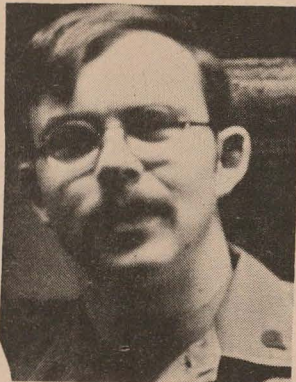


**Mrs. Crythis Bristow, PAC Physical Exam** — "My husband and I prepare it together, and for some odd reason we end up paying every year, though it seems an adequate amount has been taken out already. Income taxes are necessary, but it just takes some planning and revision if you find that you're constantly hit in April. I hate to think that some of this money goes to non-job seeking unemployment collectors!"

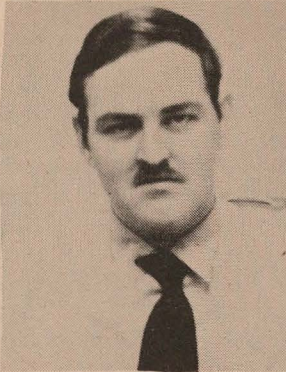


**Sp4 Ronnie Ewing, 16th AG Postal** — "I usually have a commercial tax firm do it for me. I feel that sometimes it's a little unjust but on the other hand it is a necessity for the economy."

**Sp4 Kent Bullard, 864th Engrs.** — "I do my own taxes. I've done them for the last couple years so it doesn't bother me. It's a necessary evil."



**Sp4 Gary R. Shupp, LAMC** — "This year I got married, and my father-in-law is going to prepare it, because he is a tax accountant and knows the ins and outs. I believe you have to pay taxes, but it's unfortunate that we in the military have to pay as much as everyone else, our pay being so low. But I guess in order for the government to exist, taxes are a necessity."



# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| BUSGO  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PYMET  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| COAVH  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEALL  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BAELIL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



Too hot to handle



**Solution to last week's: WARDEN, AFTER, SPIGOT, FILTHY, DIRECT**

**ANSWER: TRAFFIC LIGHT**

**NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.**

Solution in next week's SP

# ACTION L-I-N-E

The Commander's Action Line is available to help with problems or answer questions. Anyone (troops, DA civilians, families) with a Presidio-related problem that CANNOT BE SOLVED THROUGH THE CHAIN OF COMMAND can telephone, or write in, and get a reply.

**Q. Why are there no lights on the end of Portola Street by Cal-Pal Field? It is very dark around the quarters area and people have been seen loitering in this area. Although these loiterers have been reported, and complaints have been made, the residents on the street have not heard anything on this matter.**

**SSgt. Gary Gaspar**

**A.** Your question was answered by Mr. Walter Prugh, Deputy DIO, who stated that "The Provost Marshal had submitted a job order to DFE during the week of Jan. 9, to provide for additional lighting at the end of Portola Street. This job order will be reviewed by the New Work Board at the next meeting. A tour of Portola Street on January 23 revealed that a street-light adjacent to bldg. 774 appeared to be broken; a job order has been submitted."

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
Public Affairs Office  
Headquarters, Presidio of  
San Francisco, CA 94129

# Troop Talk

**HQ Co, USAG (SSgt. KELLY)** — SSgt's **Richard Brown** and **Ronald Marshall** and Pvt. **Darlene Adams** are new arrivals to the unit.

There are five happy new PFC's in the unit this week. They are: **Kathleen Drouillard, Delores Frank, Douglas McClain, John Rapp** and **Jacob Wilson**.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn (PFC REYES)** — Members of the unit bid a fond farewell to Sp4 **Janet Wheeler** (ETSing) and Sp5 **Debra Delzer** (PCSing to Korea).

**170th MP Co (Sgt. TOLLEY)** — Newly assigned to the unit are: Sp4 **Michael Garner**, PFC's **Robert Berry** and **Dale Zumwalt**, and Pvt. **Randell Greenwood**.

**402nd MP Co (Sgt. SCALES)** — Sgt. **Benjamin Zavala**, Sp4 **Howard Herriman**, PFC **Elaine Hower** and Pvt. **David Levin** are all newly assigned to the company. All of the smiling faces in the company are the results of the recent promotions for the following: SSgt. **Andrew Thayer**, SSgt. **John Coates**, SFC **Robert Ullery**, Sp4 **Brent Kostner**, **William Silcock**, **Allan Rombro**, Cpl. **Tracy Ramthum** and PFC **Nicholas Pokrovsky**.

Sgt. **Bradley Venable** is ETSing. Sgt. **Lorence Ort**, of the third platoon, is said to have set a new record in climbing Grants Mountain, Hawthorne, NA. The 402nd cop climbed the mountain in six hours, beating the record set just recently by the Marine Detachment stationed there. Congratulations!

**D Co, 864th Engrs (Sgt. TAYLOR)** — Sp5 **John Bellando** is PCSing to Korea.

**51st Engrs Det (SSgt. DeLOS SANTOS)** — Sgt. **Robert Strongman** is a new arrival to the unit from Germany.

PFC **Richard Watts** is PCSing to Fort Bragg, North Carolina.

Sp4 **Billy MacAllister** was awarded the Good Conduct Medal, first Award.

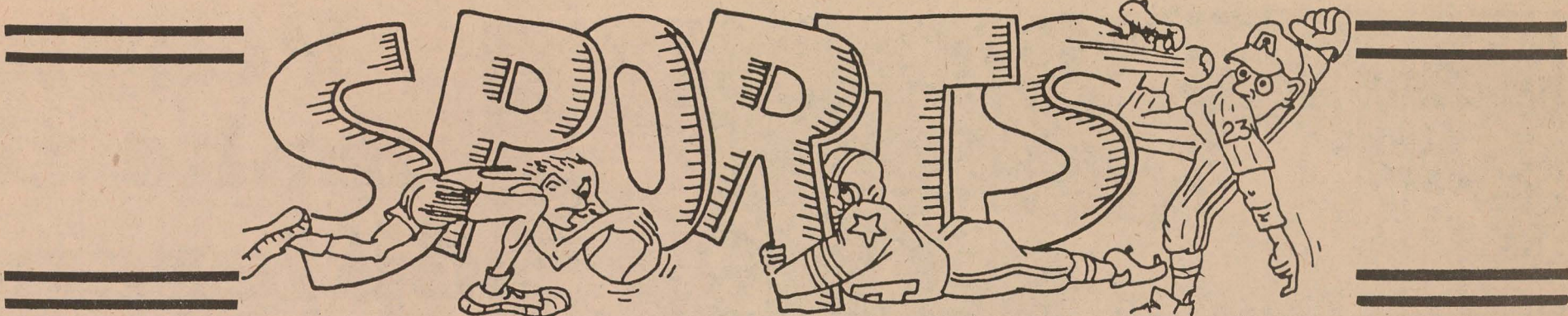
PFC **Patrick Foukes** completed the PSF Audio Visual Course.

Sp5 **Robert Alexander** and SSgt. **Albert DeLos Santos** completed the DPCA's Training Course.

# Star Presidian

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Sports officials needed

Interest in amateur sports officiating for fun and profit appears to be declining. This is the opinion of a small band of "umps" and "refs" from the Presidio and San Francisco who are actively recruiting persons to learn the techniques of officiating.

According to Frank Castro, Baseball, Softball and Football Coordinator, the association trains, assigns and supervises officials in several sports. Officials are paid varying amounts, depending on league funds and contract agreements.

In baseball and softball, for example, pay ranges from a minimum of \$6 for an hour-long softball game up to \$12.50 for a seven-inning baseball contest. Experienced officials generally receive 10 game assignments per week which add up to about \$65 in fees. "That's not too shabby for less than 24 hours work," says Castro.

The Association is inviting interested men and women, from age 16, to a series of baseball/softball training clinics beginning Saturday, February 4 at 9 a.m., in the Presidio Recreation Center. Attendance is mandatory since bidding on 1978 leagues is based on the number of umpires available to work. To date, the association has agreements with 12 baseball and softball leagues.

For additional information please call Frank Castro after 7 p.m., at 587-4111.

Golf Tourney

With 12 military installations already indicating participation, a record field of golfers is expected at the California State Military Golf Tournament.

It will be played February 23, 24, and 25 at the Rancho Del Rey Golf Club in the San Joaquin Valley city of Atwater.

Five flights are featured, covering handicaps from zero to 21. Golfers will play scratch within flights.

The tournament is open to any individual on active duty in California with the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marines or Coast Guard. Golfers must have a Northern California Golf Association (NCGA) or Southern California Golf Association (SCGA) current handicap between zero and 21. Entries will be accepted until February 15. For more information or to register, contact 1st Sergeant Richard Scott at 561-7343, or Special Services at 561-4120.

Colonel Gordon Krautkramer, commander of Castle Air Force Base, and coordinator of the event, remarked that "most installations will be entering five-man teams, each member of which will also compete in the individual flights."

Representatives from the Presidio include: Donald Nailer, Virgil Gertz, Richard Ross and Richard Doty, from Letterman Army Medical Center, and Richard Scott and Jimmy Steinebaugh from main post.

Pete Culver, tournament director and golf professional at the course, said, "Rains and our greenskeeping staff have brought the course into excellent condition. Its 6,750-yard layout and six lakes makes it a challenge to all golfers."

Steve Ragan, last year's champion, will be back as a visitor. He cannot defend his crown because he has left the military service and joined the professional golfer's ranks.

Basketball standings

Youth League Basketball Standings as of January 21 are:

| Minors    |     |      |
|-----------|-----|------|
|           | Won | Lost |
| Pacers    | 3   | 0    |
| Warriors  | 2   | 2    |
| Ft. Mason | 2   | 1    |
| Pistons   | 1   | 1    |
| Nets      | 0   | 4    |
| Majors    |     |      |
| Sonics    | 3   | 0    |
| Knicks    | 3   | 1    |
| Rockets   | 2   | 2    |
| Bucks     | 2   | 2    |
| Lakers    | 2   | 1    |
| Ft. Mason | 1   | 3    |
| Bullets   | 0   | 4    |

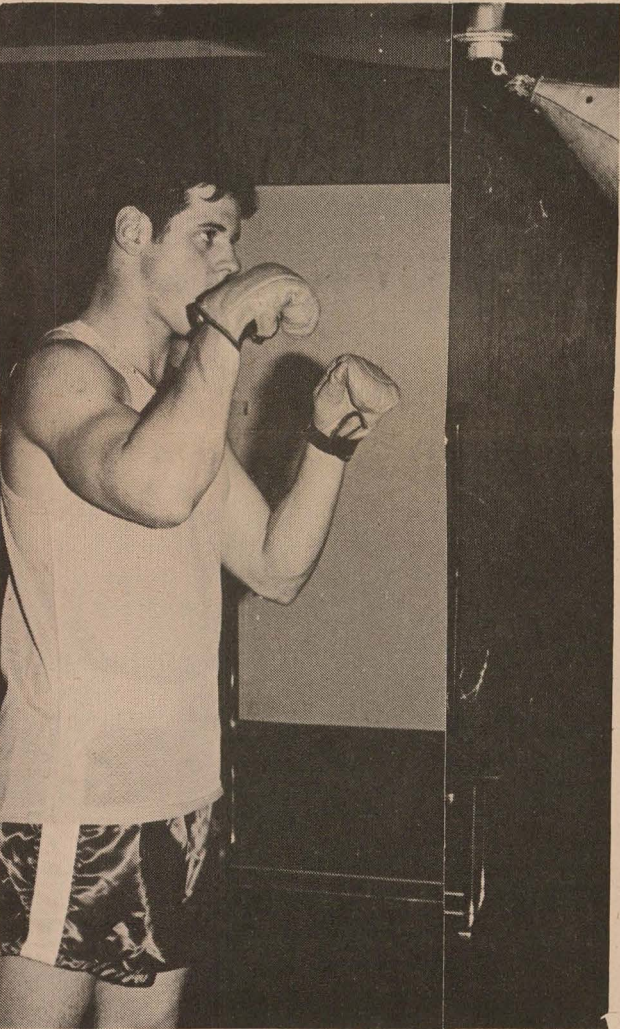
Up with your dukes

Wayne F. Emard and Brent Kostner have been selected to represent the Presidio in the Forces Command (FORSCOM) Western Region Boxing Tournament at Fort Riley, KS, February 5 through 10.

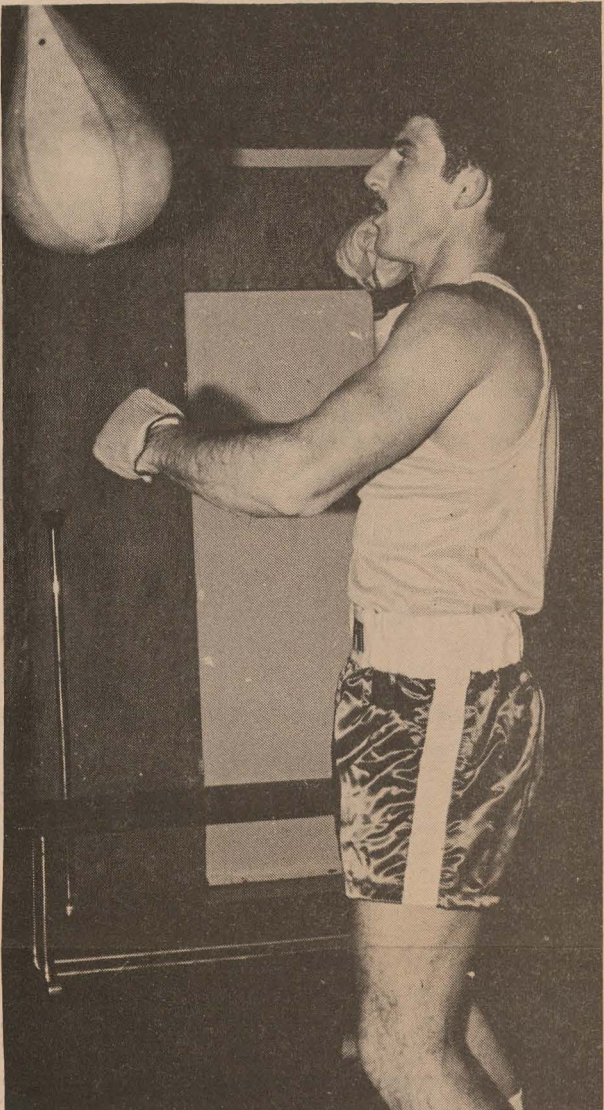
The pair will be departing tomorrow for Fort Riley in the first step of competition that could lead to a spot on the US Olympic Team.

Winners from the two FORSCOM Regional Tournaments will make up the All-Army Team with a chance to advance to the Inter-Service Tournament. Finalists there have the opportunity to vie for a spot on the U.S. Olympic Team that will travel to Moscow.

Emard will be entered in the Light Middleweight Class (156 pounds) and Kostner in the Heavyweight Division at 195.



Brent Kostner



Wayne F. Emard

Emard, currently serving as commander of the 163rd Military Police Company, entered the Army through the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) program out of Providence College, Providence, R.I., where he received his BA in Sociology in 1976. He was graduated Magna Cum Laude from Providence College and Distinguished Military Graduate from the ROTC program.

Kostner, a Chicago native, entered the Army in June 1976. Following basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO, he attended the Military Police School at Fort McClellan, AL, prior to his present assignment as a military policeman with the 402nd MP Company here.

Basketball results

The Presidio Women's Basketball Team took third place in the 5th Annual Women's All-Service Basketball Classic at Monterey last weekend.

Fighting back from a first game loss at the hands of the Tourney Champions, Scarborough Lumber, 53-31, the Presidio hammered the Defense Language Institute 62-38 and squeezed by Travis AFB for a one-point 46-45 decision.

The Presidio overcame a six-point deficit in the final seven minutes of its game against Fort Ord to gain a 36-33 victory and a shot at Naval Postgraduate School. With only an hours rest between games, the Presidio Women ran out of gas, bowing by six points.

The Post Women's team is looking for additional players to bolster their seven member squad prior to the FORSCOM Tournament in March.

Coach Ray Thomas feels that the level of competition in last weekends tourney is the "same caliber of competition we will meet at Fort Carson."

He went on to add that "with our complete squad and some hard work, I think our chances of doing well are as good as anyone's."

Other teams participating in last weekend's event were from Mather and Beale AFBs.

Soccer news

The Presidio Strikers Soccer Team continued its winning streak this past Saturday by beating San Francisco Olympia by a score of two to zero. This was the Strikers' sixth straight win and now makes their record six wins and no losses.

It was a closely contested match during the entire game and could have gone either way. However, the bench strength of the Strikers proved to be too much for Olympia. The Strikers pressed their opponents throughout the entire game, however, they could not put together any offensive spark until late in the first half when Greg Keller scored the first goal.

Tim Cason, John Hagemeister, Andy Leon, Timmy Sexton, Dan Griffin, John McFarland and John Dowell played super defense and made it impossible for Olympia to score.

The offensive punch of the Strikers was produced by Robert Linden, Steve McKechnie, John Stankewicz, Rocky Wicks, Jody Cason, Ashley Williams and Randy Kim. They kept Olympia off balance during the whole game. Early in the second half Michael Stojic broke away to score the Strikers' second goal.

The Strikers play their next game on the Presidio against the Vikings Knights this Saturday at 12:30 p.m. on Paul Goode Field.





LTC A. Johnson (pictured above) of Readiness Group PSF has been honored with the Presidio Community Service Award for the 1st Quarter FY78. He was chosen as Citizen of the Quarter because of his many community activities.

As Vice-President of St. Monica's Men's Club (which has over 60 military dependents), he helps raise funds for the school, operates the school's athletic programs and organizes various children's and family functions. He also serves as treasurer and morale committee chairman for the Presidio youth swimming team. As such he maintains financial records, organizes activities, and helps build the spirit and morale of the children.

He is also a member of the advisory council of the Presidio Officers Club and chairman of the supervisory committee of the Presidio Credit Union where he is

responsible for auditing and reviewing the financial matters of the Credit Union, a non-glamour job which requires a great deal of statistical work, trust and honesty.

LTC Johnson has served for a year as Secretary of the National Defense section of the Commonwealth Club of California, and co-authored their recent study on Secrecy in Government.

LTC Johnson's position as logistics chief for ARRIX, Presidio Group requires extensive travel, yet he finds time to successfully attend all functions and meetings.

LTC Johnson's involvement in community activities alone warrant him great esteem and praise in helping to provide better services and opportunities for both military and civilians who reside and work on the Presidio.

U.S. Army photo

# People make the difference



U.S. Army Photo

Helping keep the Christmas season 'all wrapped up' are Mary Schuster, ACS, and Jo Leach, Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club. Each lady chaired the Christmas wrap committee in her organization, as did Judy Hyatt, Letterman's Women's Club, and Sarah Urquidey, Presidio Officer's Club, not pictured here.

Four equal checks, totaling \$2873.43, were presented to representatives of three Post Wives' Clubs and Army Community Services by Colonel John D. Hamilton, Sr., Post Commander. The four groups provided a package wrapping service for customers of the Presidio Post Exchange during the Christmas shopping season.

The money will be used by the clubs and ACS to provide a variety of charitable services. A total of 975 hours was donated by the four organizations.

## ... News Break ...

### Four Chaplains' Sunday

A San Francisco — Bay Area inter-faith service will be held in St. Ignatius Church, Fulton Street and Parker Avenue, Sunday afternoon, February 5, in observance of "Four Chaplains' Sunday."

Representatives of the Jewish, Catholic and Protestant faiths will participate in the service, which marks the 35th anniversary of the heroic four chaplains who gave up their life belts that others might live and went to their deaths when the troop transport S.S. Dorchester was torpedoed off the coast of Greenland.

The program begins at 2 p.m., with a half hour concert by the Sixth Army Band, under the direction of Warrant Officer Tony Cason. The program will include a formal procession of Colors.

The religious service will start at 2:30 p.m., with the Rev. David H. Romeis, formerly State Chaplain of The American Legion, and Pastor of St. Luke's Lutheran Church, Walnut Creek, as master of ceremonies.

The four chaplains who went to their deaths, holding hands and joining in prayer after they had given their life belts to four soldiers who had no belts, were the Revs. George L. Fox and Clark V. Poling, Protestants, Rabbi Alexander B. Goode, and the Rev. John P. Washington.

The public is invited to attend this observance.

### Dental Health Week

National Children's Dental Health Week is being observed throughout America next week. Although the emphasis is on children, dental health is a concern for all. If proper habits are begun at an early age, dental disease can be reduced to a minimum. Regular dental check-ups are very important also. By the way, when was your last visit to the dentist? Perhaps it's time to make an appointment.

### Wives' Club

The new officers of the Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club took their oaths of office at a dinner at the Log Cabin, January 14.

The Officers for 1978 are: Jo Leach, President; Dixie Ring, first Vice-President; Peggy Neeley, second Vice-President; Pat Williams, Secretary; and Wanda Zweigle, Treasurer. The installation ceremony was conducted by Mrs. John D. Hamilton, wife of the post commander.

### A U S A luncheon

Dr. Walter B. LaBerge, Under Secretary of the Army, will be the speaker and honored guest at the San Francisco Chapter, Association of the U.S. Army (AUSA), luncheon on Friday, February 17, to be held at the Presidio Officer's Club.

He entered government service in 1971, when he became Deputy Technical Director of the Naval Weapons Center in California and in 1973 he became Technical Director. From 1973 to 1976, Dr. LaBerge served as the Assistant Secretary of the Air Force (Research and Development).

Prior to his appointment as Under Secretary in July 1977, he was the Assistant Secretary General for Defense Support at NATO.

For any further information or tickets, contact Mr. Bob Joy, AUSA Secretary, at 561-2035.

### Inpatient charges

Inpatient charges at Uniformed Services hospitals are adjusted periodically to reflect changes in Uniformed Services pay, according to a Defense spokesman. Effective January 1, dependents of active duty, retired and deceased Servicemembers will be charged \$4.40 per day for inpatient care at Uniformed Services hospitals. The current charge is \$4.10 per day. This increase from \$4.10 per day to \$4.40 per day is approximately the same percentage increase as the pay raise that went into effect earlier this year.

### Self Defense Against Rape

A class entitled **Self Defense Against Rape**, will be conducted on post beginning February 16. The ten-week mini-course, sponsored by the Education Center and taught by the Galileo Community College District, is free and open to all adults. It will be held Thursday evenings, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m., in the Fort Scott Gym, Bldg. 1226.

Its integrated psychological, sociological and physical approach will include topics on street and home safety, causes of rape, service to rape victims, rape and the law, and fighting back. To reserve your space in class, phone the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216, ext 4445/2974.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Feb. 3, Joseph Andrews (R), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 4, Darby O'Gill and the Little People (G), 2 and 7 p.m.

Sunday, Feb. 5, Damnation Alley (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 6, Damnation Alley (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, Cross of Iron (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, Between the Lines (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9, Between the Lines (R), 7 p.m.

### HAWMPS (G)

Much to his dismay, Army lieutenant James Hampton is assigned to train camels for Texas desert use. The purebred Arabian mounts his squad expects turn out to have "hawmps". The troops' hearts are captured by a baby camel. Adding to the comedy is a race pitting the camels against the horse troops.

### CLOSE ENCOUNTERS OF THE THIRD KIND (PG)

It all begins in a small Indiana town where some local people are deeply affected by UFO sightings and unexplained occurrences. They receive telepathic visions of a mountain and a pilgrimage beyond the imagination.

### JOSEPH ANDREWS (R)

In 18th Century England, Lady Booby (Ann-Margret) although publicly grieving for her late husband, admires footman Joseph Andrews (Peter Firth) obvious charms. When he rebuffs her, she dismisses him and thus begins a series of misadventures for the loves-truck Joseph and Fanny.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Feb. 3, Midway (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Feb. 6, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 6:30 and 9 p.m.

Tuesday, Feb. 7, Drive-In (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Feb. 8, Joseph Andrews (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Feb. 9, Tentacles (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Monday, Feb. 6, Tentacles (PG), 7 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 10, Damnation Alley (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Feb. 11, Between the Lines (R), 7 p.m.

### DAMNATION ALLEY (PG)

A futuristic drama about a handful of nuclear war survivors charting an odyssey across the US in search of other human life. Giant mutant insects, tidal waves, tornadoes and psychedelic skies are only a few of the terrors and wonders which result from the earth being knocked off its axis by the nuclear holocaust. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.



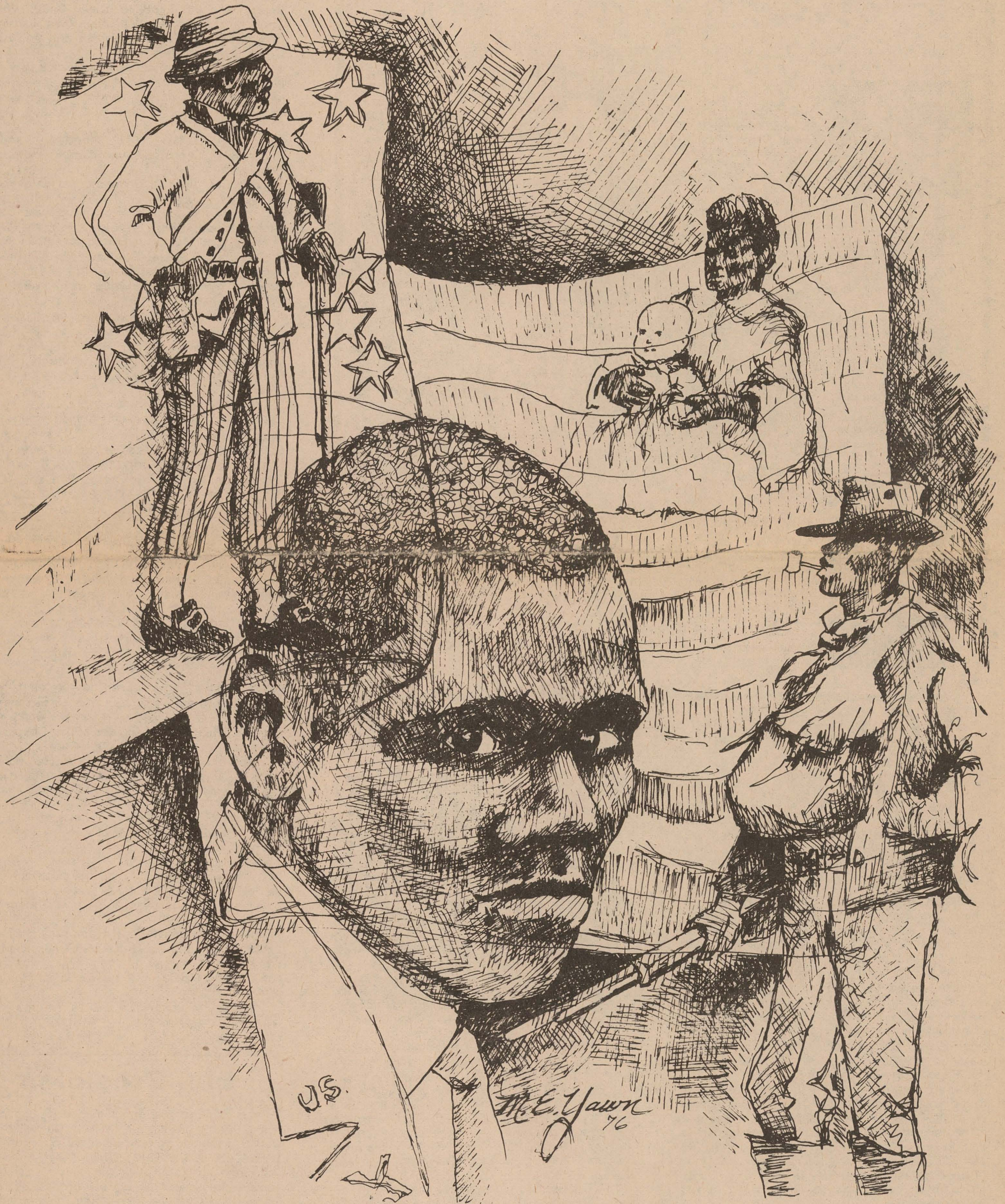


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**Black History Week, February 12 - 19, was set aside by presidential proclamation to celebrate the contributions of Blacks to our American heritage. Black soldiers have played an important role in the U.S. Army**

**throughout our history. This week's special feature on pages 4 and 5, "The Buffalo Soldiers", tells the story of the Black soldier in the winning of the West.**

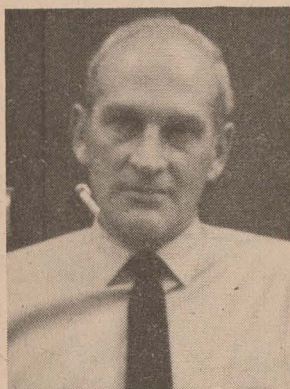


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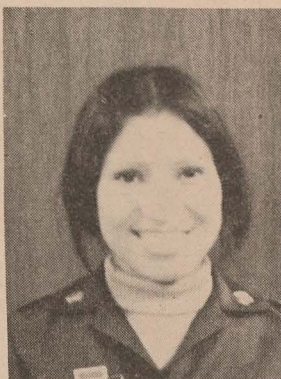


## Do you think EER's are fair?

MSG Fred A. Ferguson, 6th Army Chief Enlisted Medical Advisor - "I do think there can be an improvement in both the numerical and narrative ratings. The numerical score should be strongly supported by the narrative. But the system that we have now is better than the ones we've had in the past."

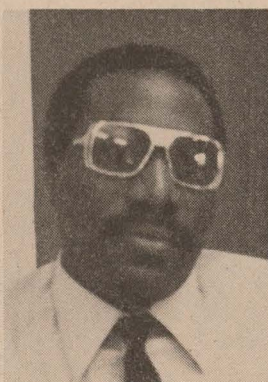


MSG George Swain, 6th Army, Chief Enlisted Advisor Branch Assistance Team Armor National Guard and Reserve - "No, I don't think they're fair. They're over inflated, therefore they cannot necessarily serve their purpose. I would change the numerical rating scheme."

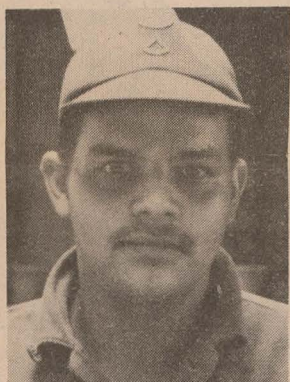


Sp5 Deborah Moses, 6th Army SGS - "It's not fair that one section allows you to have a high EER and then another section grades you lower. In other words it depends on where you work how your EER is rated."

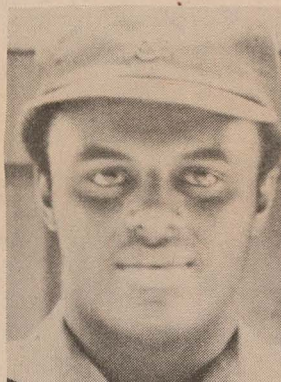
SFC Benjamin Henry, 6th Army Field Artillery Advisor for National Guard and Reserve - "In the majority of cases they are fair. I think they definitely serve their purpose, although EER's are somewhat overrated. If you ever get an EER that's less than max, it hurts your career."



SFC Rafael Topasna, NCOIC, Investigations and Assistance Office, 6th Army - "Yes, I believe in the EER system, provided supervisors give a true evaluation of their people's performance. I would think this would enable the Army to keep better personnel in the organization. A true job evaluation can help the soldier and the Army as a whole and can improve lots of things."



PFC Michael Hough, 864th Engrs. - "Since I'm only a PFC I've never had one. And as far as I know, I think they're pretty fair."



PFC Steven Garwood, 864th Engrs - "I think that inner office personality conflicts could greatly affect EER ratings. Other than that I think they're fairly decent. I wouldn't change any of it right now."

# Troop Talk

HHD, 504th MP BN (PFC REYES) - Sp4s Gary Marino and Roberto Salazar were promoted to Sergeant, and Sp4 Baby Girl Parker was promoted to Sp5. Way to go, Baby!

D Co, 864th Engrs Bn (Sgt. TAYLOR) - The unit bids farewell to Sp5 Lyle J. Myles (PCSing to Korea) and PFC Douglas Brown (ETSing). Pvt. Daniel J. Smith is welcomed to the unit.

Unit members promoted to Sp4 were: Norman Beach, Kenneth Esposito, David Smith, Vester Thomas and Darrell Williams. Pvt's Laurence Brown, Wayne Chin, Anibal Medina and Scott Ormond were promoted to PFC's.

The Engineers are happy to announce they contributed 25 pints of blood during the recent Presidio Blood Drive. And rightfully so. A hearty thanks to all of you.

16th AG (POSTAL) (SFC Wood) - Company Commander, Capt. A. Wayne Lamb, received the Commander's Sports Trophy from the Post Commander, Col. John D. Hamilton, Sr., on behalf of his unit for participation in the '76-'77 sports program. Receiving individual awards were: SFC James Wood, SSgts Arnold Jones and Willie Thomas, Sp5 Roger Leighton, and Sp4s Arlett Brown and Rosario Corpuz. Others receiving awards were: SSgts Randolph Fifield and Bradley Weirich, Sp5 Linda Yonan and Sp4 Danny Powell.

The following named individuals will be leaving for Fort Irwin to take part in Operation RED FLAG: Lt. Carrol, SFC Wood, SSgt Thomas, Sp5 Leighton, Sp4's Mullin and Robbins, PFC's Cummings and Thomas and Pvt. Tate. Good Luck!

SIXTH U.S. ARMY (SFC BALDWIN) - Recent arrivals to the headquarters are Col. Kenneth E. Cardwell, DCSRM; LTC Donald P. Clark, PAO; Maj. Clayton S. Scott III, DCSOPS; Capt. Lawrence R. Davis, Protocol; Capt. O.B. McCane, Jr., DCSOPS; MSG Ernest R. Boatner, IG; and SFC Delwood E. Otto, DCSOPS. Welcome aboard!!

Maj. Bill J. Helwig, DCSPA, PCSed to Europe. Good Luck!

Personnel retiring from active service included Col. George P. Kelly, 30 years; LTC Kanshi S. Yamashita, 27 years; SGM Angelo A. Laspino, 21 years; and SGM Robert E. Wright, 20 years.

Col. Earl D. Gayler, DCSLOG, and SSgt. Colleen Switzer, DCSPA, were recently promoted to their present rank.

What started out as a routine shower party for Pat Nelson, a secretary in the Sixth Army Chaplain's Office, ended as a surprise wedding for her and Sp6 Lance Dichter, Post Chapel Administrator.

The two were scheduled to be married on February 4 but the wedding was moved up to February 1, when Pat broke her right ankle at her bridal shower. Rushed to LAMC's Emergency Room, it was discovered she did not qualify for treatment since she wasn't a dependent and her injury was not of a life or death nature.

Quick-witted Lance said, "No sweat, we'll just get married tonight here at the hospital." After placing a couple of hurried telephone calls, the ceremony got underway at a private room provided by the hospital.

Chaplain (Capt.) Roland Humphrey performed the ceremony and Dr. Bruce Van Dam performed the necessary repairs to Pat's ankle, which was broken in two places. The new bride is home now, resting and doing well.

The Presidio community wishes the newlyweds a belated congratulations.

# ACTION L-I-N-E

The Commander's Action Line is available to help with problems or answer questions. Anyone (troops, DA civilians, families) with a Presidio-related problem that CANNOT BE SOLVED THROUGH THE CHAIN OF COMMAND can telephone, or write in, and get a reply.

Several queries have been made recently about the closing of the Ft. Baker Library. Colonel Joseph Holihen, Director of Personnel and Community Activities, wrote in response to one young questioner: "While I can appreciate your wish to have a library as close to your home as possible, we are no longer able to afford to have two libraries in the Presidio complex. When our budget is reduced we must look at any duplication of activities or services as a source of economy. After several lean years, it finally became the Fort Baker Library's turn. Our main Post Library is at the Presidio. Weekday military bus service is available (without charge) from the Fort Baker area to the Presidio, and there are also libraries available in the Marin County area, including a fine one at nearby Sausalito. I regret that I am unable to provide you with a more favorable reply. I encourage you and your family to continue with your love of good books. You may even find that a longer trip to the library will whet your interest and add to your appreciation."

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: L-I-N-E; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
Public Affairs Office  
Headquarters, Presidio of  
San Francisco, CA 94129

# DCO's Profile



Lt. Col. Donald R. Sims of Bogalusa, LA., is the new Deputy Installation Commander for Forts Baker, Barry and Chronkwhite, as well as Rio Vista.

Colonel Sims comes to the Presidio from a one year assignment as Director of Plans, Training and Security with Headquarters, US Army Garrison, Youngsan, Korea. Prior to his Korean assignment he was Assistant Professor of Military Science at California Polytechnic State University, San Luis Obispo, CA, for four years.

The Colonel has a BS degree in Physical Education from Tuskegee Institute, AL and an MA degree in Education from the California Polytechnic State University.

He is married to the former Marie M. Dumas of New Orleans, LA. They are the parents of four daughters, Donna, 16; Deirdra, 15; Denelda, 13 and Dana, 6. Donna, a junior at Oceana High School, Pacifica, CA, is very active in the school's activities and is currently training with the San Francisco Ballet.

# Star Presidian

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Last month the 170th MP Co. played host to Junior ROTC Cadets from Sequoia High School, Redwood City, and McClymonds High School in Oakland.

Second Lieutenant Manuel Martinez and 1st Sergeant Leo Wafford briefed the ROTC Cadets on the unit's mission and equipment. A panel of unit members was set up to answer individual questions. After the presentation the cadets were allowed to see some of the unit's weapons and fire a few blank rounds, followed by a tour of the troop billets.

At the end of the visit, the unit gave a plaque to the cadets as a memento. The 170th personnel were very receptive to the teenagers and everyone seemed to enjoy the event.

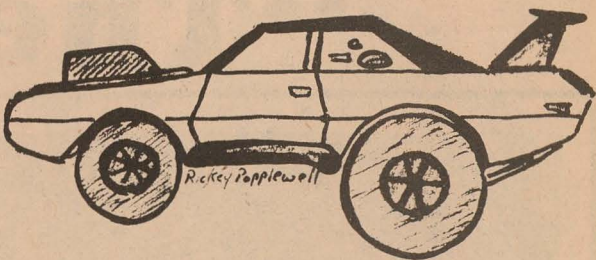
# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| TCAEVA |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CLRUH  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ERTACR |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| FLERIE |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RAYRTM |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



Sure gets around a lot!!!



Solution to last week's: BOGUS, EMPTY, HAVOC, LADLE, LIABLE  
ANSWER: BOMBSHELL

Solution in next week's SP

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



photo by Sp4 Dan Jackson

During the recent surge of 'unusual' weather experienced by California several trees suffered from the high, gale-force winds. This tree, at the corner of Lincoln and McDowell, was completely uprooted.

## Traffic control:

# ... with a personal touch

by Avis Stanley

TCP ... is not an engine additive to make your car run better. TCPs (Traffic Control Points), although they do not change color, are traffic lights. They are highly trained and effective military policepersons performing vital traffic control here on the Presidio.

Even though these TCPs do not change colors like a red and green traffic light, their function is identical. TCPs operate according to an established set of signals, and the purpose of this article is to familiarize you with these signals.

Whenever you approach an intersection at which a TCP is operating and you are facing the back or front of his body, the light is RED. STOP. Another RED light is the TCP long, steady blast of his whistle. When you hear it, STOP. When the TCP turns his body so that it is sideways to you, gives a short blast of his whistle indicating a change in the flow of traffic, and his arm, from the elbow to the distinctive white gloved hand, makes a sharp forward movement, the light is GREEN. GO.

Remember the arrow for right and left turns on a signal light? The TCP does that too. With his body facing you, he will point directly at you (certainly a more personal touch than an unfeeling light), smartly move his arm in the direction you wish to turn, and smartly drop his arm. You may then make your turn.

In the same way that you do not stop and request directions from a traffic light, bear in mind that it is also a dangerous practice to do so with a TCP. A TCP is there to function as Traffic Control only. Directions can be safely obtained from the military police at other than Traffic Control Points.

If you run a red light, maybe you won't get caught. However, if you fail to obey a TCP when he has indicated STOP, your chance of getting caught is greater as the TCP will be able to personally record your license number. Failure to obey a TCP is the same as failing to obey any other traffic sign as prescribed in the California Vehicle Code, and carries the same punitive measures.

Now that we all know and understand the signals of the persons who have placed themselves, rain or shine, precariously in the middle of rush traffic at key intersections on post, listen for the whistle, obey the "Traffic Lights", and make vehicle safety on the Presidio everybody's business.



Demonstrating the hand signals of a TCP is Sp4 Ron Cooper, 402nd MP Co. Completing a turn (left), signalling traffic to flow through (middle), and stopping traffic (right) are three often used signals. (photos by Sp4 Jim Canfield).



# “The Buffalo Soldiers”



The long frustrating chase after Pancho Villa through the mountains of the Southwest had its physical dangers. This trooper found that out the hard way when his horse lost its footing in the mountain ranges of Arizona.

When the sound of thundering hooves announced the arrival of the Cavalry in Indian Wars and Mexican Border skirmishes during the post Civil War era, chances are that members of that arriving troop of Cavalry were Blacks.

Two Black Cavalry Regiments, the 9th and the 10th, also known as the “Buffalo Soldiers”, saw more than their share of action during this period of American history.

The period of the Indian Wars saw many heroes rise from the ranks of the black regiments. There were eighteen Congressional Medal of Honor recipients in all, two in the infantry and the others in the two cavalry units.

When, in 1916, General John “Black Jack” Pershing, hero of Spanish-American and World War I fame, departed the Presidio of San Francisco to organize the Punitive Expedition against Pancho Villa on the Mexican border, one of the first units he picked to make up his force was the 10th Cavalry.

One of the most famous battles involving Black Cavalry units occurred during this Pancho Villa campaign with Pershing's old 10th Cavalry. At the border village of Camizal, the “Buffalo Soldiers” were outnumbered by 10-1 odds, but still managed to inflict several hundred casualties on the Mexican forces before scattering in an attempt to escape annihilation.

The nickname, “Buffalo Soldiers”, is generally believed to be attributed to the Indians; they likened the hair of the Black soldiers they fought to the coat of the buffalo. A second and less popular theory is that they derived the nickname from the buffalo coat that was part of their uniform. Whatever the origin, when units began to adopt a Coat of Arms, the buffalo was the predominant feature on the 10th Cavalry's insignia.

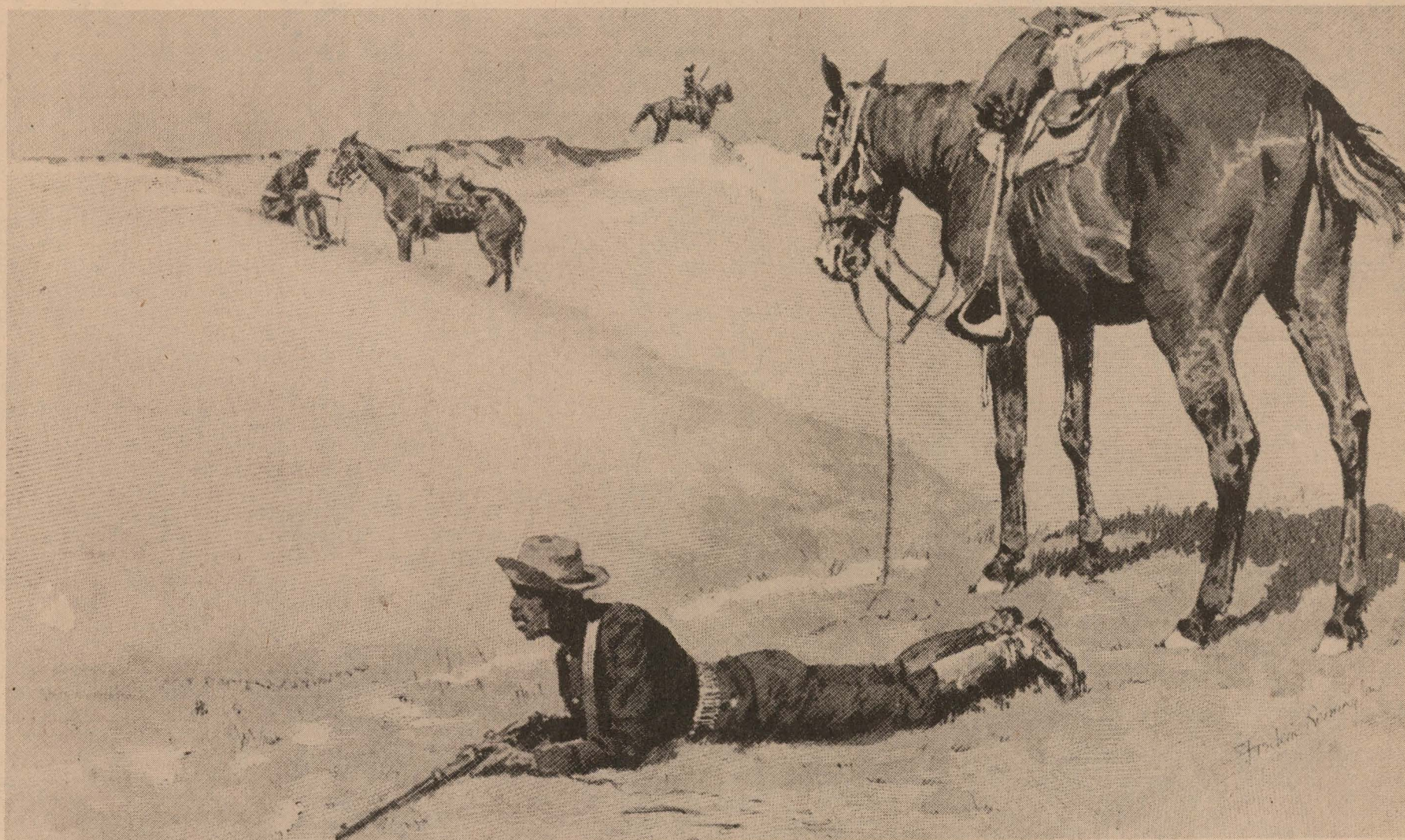
Many white officers at the time preferred assignment to the four all-Black regiments. It was the general opinion at the time that the Black soldier was more loyal to his leaders and a better soldier than was the average white soldier, according to the book, “The Black Military Experience In The American West.”

One thing stands out as fact however, the Black soldier of the post Civil War Army played a major part in winning the West during the Indian Wars and from the ranks of those regiments emerged a significant number of instances of individual courage and valor of which the Nation can well be proud.

*Drawn by Frederic Remington.*



It was bad enough for the man leading the patrol across the desert territory with the blistering heat, but for the men further back the line, it was a real sand-blasting experience.



A trooper with the 10th Cavalry maintains his lonely vigil amidst the sand dunes and blistering heat of the desert Southwest.



Desert parties were not unusual when a troop of Cavalry was able to take a break near a populated area. This one, near Tucson, Arizona, was captured in an early 1920's photo.

## Black History Week schedule

Noontime program, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. PSF Recreation Center:

Tuesday, Feb. 14: Sixth Army Band Concert

Wednesday, Feb. 15: Panel discussion, with audience participation. Florence May, S. F. Unified School District Multicultural Education Coordinator and students from the San Francisco School District will be the guest participants.

Thursday, Feb. 16: Col. John R. Meese, 6th Army Deputy Chief of Staff for Training, is the guest speaker for the professional Development Workshop sponsored by the PSF Federal Women's Program Coordinator, Wanda Greer.

Friday, Feb. 17: There will be a panel discussion with audience participation. Panel guests include Mr. Bernard Grants and students from Nairobi Community College, East Palo Alto; Ms. Lisa Ward, Sickle Cell Anemia Research; Dr. Michael Lenior, M.D., Pediatrician; and Col. Helen Jackson, R.N., LAMC, Dept. of Nursing.

Evening programs, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., PSF Recreation Center:

Monday, Feb. 13: A film entitled “Heritage in Black” will be shown, followed by a discussion on the contemporary Black social experience.

Tuesday, Feb. 14: A Black Art and Poetry presentation will be held, with guest speaker Ronnie Prosser, a local artist.

Wednesday, Feb. 15: A film, “The Black Soldier”, will be shown followed by a discussion on the Black military experience.

Friday, Feb. 17: 6 p.m. to midnight PSF's Recreation Center will be the site for the main social event of Black History Week, the dinner-dance.

Sunday, Feb. 19: There will be two special chapel services. At 9 a.m. the Main Post Chapel will hold its normal service and will be, in part, dedicated to Black History. The Ft. Scott Chapel will feature Willie Ray Allum's Voices of St. John's, the choral group from St. John's Baptist Church, at 9:30 a.m.



# Tax help

As in past years, an income tax assistance program has been established at the Presidio to aid military personnel, their dependents, and retired military personnel in filing Federal and State income tax forms. As indicated below, each unit has a tax advisor assigned to aid personnel in fulfilling tax filing requirements. Questions about filing procedures, required forms, and basic problems with completing the forms must be taken to the unit tax advisor before seeking help from the Post Judge Advocate's Office.

Any question that cannot be answered by the tax advisor will be referred to the Legal Assistance section of the Post Judge Advocate's Office by the unit tax advisor. A Legal Assistance Officer will assist in recommending whether a particular desired deduction is allowable, the tax status of an alien and his or her filing requirements, or any other question which may effect one's tax liability. An individual who takes a problem to the Legal Assistance Office must bring any related documents and have his tax forms filled in, in pencil. Office personnel suggest that those desiring assistance write down specific questions to ask the attorney.

| Unit Tax Advisors:  | Duty Phone         |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| LAMC Med Co         | Mrs. Callman 4397  |
| 504th MP Bn         | SFC Schorr 3000    |
| Hq Co, USAG         | MSG Pruitt 2166    |
|                     | SGT Chadborne 2166 |
| D Co, 864th Engr Bn | LT Schoenman 3821  |
| 402nd MP Co         | SSG Mayo 5174      |
| 170th MP Co         | CPT Lynch 2902     |
|                     | SGT Tolley 2902    |
|                     | PFC Scarboro 2902  |
| 16th AG Det         | LT Carroll 3926    |
| LAIR                | COL Cohn 4288      |
| WRRC                | CPT Quinlan 7433   |



# Cal tax tips

Military personnel stationed at the Presidio of San Francisco who have a California domicile must pay California state income taxes. Out-of-state military personnel stationed in California are non-residents, on the other hand, and are not subject to California tax on their military pay though they may have to file a return in their home state.

Any income from other than military sources earned in California is taxable, and the income of spouses of out-of-state residents stationed here is also subject to California tax. In the latter instance, according to John Vrana of the State Franchise Tax Board, in most cases a husband and wife should file a joint California tax return on the other income only.

When the spouse has resided in another state for part of the year or is domiciled in another state, the situation may be more complicated. Unit tax advisors can provide more guidance in these cases.

Vrana also provided figures on taxes due in hypothetical cases from California residents stationed here throughout the year whose only income comes from military sources. A single E-4 with two years service would pay less than \$35, while E-6 with eight years service, and a child would pay no tax whatsoever. An O-3 with four years in service and a spouse would pay about \$250.

# The "other" income tax

by Steve Abbott

DOING YOUR Federal income tax and getting it safely postmarked by April 17th may not be the end of your tax obligation. You may also be liable for state taxes.

In determining your state tax liability it's important to know the difference between your domicile and your home of record (HOR).

Liability for state income tax on military pay is determined by the law of the service member's domicile. The term domicile and home of record are often confused by military personnel.

Domicile is defined as that place where a person has his permanent home to which he intends to return whenever he is absent. A person's domicile is evidenced by declarations in wills and legal documents, registration to vote, ownership of residential property, title and registration of motor vehicles, payment of state taxes and similar actions. No change in the domicile of military personnel will occur solely as a result of being ordered to a new duty station.

The domicile of military personnel is now shown as an entry on the Leave and Earnings Statement (Box 25). It's important that this information is accurate. It's used by the Department of Defense (DOD) as a basis for the state income tax withholding and income reporting to the states.

HOR is the place recorded as your home when you enlisted, reenlisted or were commissioned. It can be changed only at reenlistment or if a mistake was made on the original paperwork.

Only your legal residence can tax your military pay. The state where you're living because of official orders can't. This doesn't exempt any pay of a spouse or other family member.

It doesn't exclude income from a part-time job, or interest on bank deposits or income from other sources either. But some states do exclude this income also.

Taxation of non-military income by two or more states may be only a theoretical problem, as many states allow a credit to a taxpayer for taxes paid to other states.

The 1976 Tax Reform Act makes keeping track of your state taxes easier. The act allows states to ask the Department of Defense to withhold taxes from military pay.



The following states have requested that DOD begin state tax withholding: Alabama, California, Colorado, Delaware, District of Columbia, Hawaii, Idaho, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nebraska, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Utah, Virginia, and Wisconsin. No withholding action is expected from Connecticut, Florida, Nevada, New Hampshire, North Dakota, South Dakota, Tennessee, Texas, Washington and Wyoming.

The chart will give you an idea of your state tax responsibilities. The chart doesn't contain all the information about every state. You'll have to get additional information about your particular situation. The addresses in column two are the place to write.

Your monthly Leave and Earnings Statement (LES) has information about your state tax withholding. Box 25 lists your state of legal residence and the number of dependents you're claiming. Box 26 lists the amount of state tax that has been withheld so far.

As state income taxation is a matter of state law, members should stay abreast of tax developments in their home states. Many state tax laws have changed recently, and additional changes may be anticipated. Unit tax counselors attempt to monitor these changes.

The most important thing to remember is, don't try to avoid your state taxes. You may even have to take the first step in order to file.

If you have filed a tax return in a state before, they'll usually send the necessary forms to the address you listed on your last return. But if you're filing a state tax return for the first time, you'll have to write to the state for the necessary forms. You can also go to your legal assistance office. During the tax season, Legal Assistance Offices attempt to maintain an inventory of the most commonly requested state tax material.

These are some of the facts and figures you'll have to concern yourself with this year in preparing your tax returns. Of course, this isn't the whole story. Individual circumstances play a big part in determining the amount of your taxes. Don't hesitate to ask for help from the IRS, Army Legal Assistance offices or unit tax counselors. Their advice could save you from making errors, and it might save you some money.

**This chart will give you basic information for states that impose some sort of income tax. Returns and payments are due on April 17, with the following exceptions: Hawaii, April 20; Delaware, Iowa, New Hampshire and Virginia, May 21; and Arkansas, May 16. Generally, the information applies only to active duty military personnel, not their spouses.**

| State of Legal Residence |                                                                                                                                         | Where to write for forms, information                                                                                                          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Alabama                  | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                            | State of Alabama<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>Montgomery, Ala. 36130                                                          |
| Alaska                   | All military pay and other income is exempt                                                                                             | Dept. of Revenue<br>State of Alaska<br>State Office Bldg.<br>Juneau, Alaska 99811                                                              |
| Arizona                  | First \$1,000 of active duty pay is exempt                                                                                              | Arizona Dept. of Revenue<br>Office of Income and Withholding Taxes<br>West Wing State Capitol<br>Phoenix, Ariz. 85007                          |
| Arkansas                 | First \$6,000 of active duty pay is exempt                                                                                              | Dept. of Finance and Administration<br>Income Tax Section<br>P.O. Box 3628<br>Little Rock, Ark. 72203                                          |
| California               | Up to \$1,000 of pay for more than 90 days of active duty is exempt if stationed in state; all pay is exempt if stationed outside state | State of California<br>Franchise Tax Board<br>Sacramento, Calif. 95867                                                                         |
| Colorado                 | All military pay is taxable                                                                                                             | State of Colorado<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>1375 Sherman St.<br>Denver, Colo. 80203                                                               |
| Connecticut              | No personal income tax, but a capital gains and dividend tax                                                                            | State of Connecticut<br>Tax Commissioner<br>Hartford, Conn. 06115                                                                              |
| Delaware                 | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                            | Division of Revenue<br>601 Delaware Ave.<br>Wilmington, Del. 19899                                                                             |
| District of Columbia     | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                            | Government of the District of Columbia<br>Dept. of Finance and Revenue<br>Municipal Center<br>300 Indiana Ave., N.W.<br>Washington, D.C. 20001 |
| Florida                  | No state income tax, but an intangible personal property tax; direct inquiries to address at right.                                     | Florida Dept. of Revenue<br>Intangible Tax Bureau<br>P.O. Box 3906<br>Tallahassee, Fla. 32303                                                  |
| Georgia                  | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                            | Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>Trinity-Washington Bldg.<br>Atlanta, Ga. 30334                                                      |
| Hawaii                   | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                            | State of Hawaii<br>Dept. of Taxation<br>425 Queen St.<br>Honolulu, Hawaii 96813                                                                |
| Idaho                    | All military pay and other income is taxable; if stationed outside Idaho, all pay is exempt                                             | State of Idaho<br>State Tax Commission<br>Income Tax Division<br>Boise, Idaho 83722                                                            |
| Illinois                 | Deduct military pay in computing "base income"; even if there are no other sources of income you still must file                        | State of Illinois<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Springfield, Ill. 62708                                                                               |
| Indiana                  | Military pay is taxable but deduction allowed for the lesser of military pay or \$2,000                                                 | Indiana Dept. of State Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>100 N. Senate Ave.<br>Indianapolis, Ind. 46204                                        |

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# The “other” income tax . . .

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| <b>Iowa</b>           | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State of Iowa<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Lucas State Office Bldg.<br>Des Moines, Iowa 50319                                                            |
| <b>Kansas</b>         | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>State Office Bldg.<br>Topeka, Kans. 66612                                                               |
| <b>Kentucky</b>       | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Commonwealth of Kentucky<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Frankfort, Ky. 40601                                                                               |
| <b>Louisiana</b>      | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State of Louisiana<br>Dept. of Revenue and Taxation<br>Baton Rouge, La. 70821                                                                      |
| <b>Maine</b>          | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Bureau of Taxation<br>Income Tax Section<br>State Office Bldg.<br>Augusta, Maine 04330                                                             |
| <b>Maryland</b>       | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State of Maryland<br>Comptroller of the Treasury<br>Income Tax Division<br>Annapolis, Md. 21401                                                    |
| <b>Massachusetts</b>  | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Commonwealth of Massachusetts<br>Dept. of Corporations and Taxation<br>Leverett Saltonstall Bldg.<br>100 Cambridge St.<br>Boston, Mass. 02204      |
| <b>Michigan</b>       | All military pay is exempt; other earnings are taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | Dept. of the Treasury<br>Individual Income Tax Division<br>Treasury Bldg.<br>Lansing, Mich. 48922                                                  |
| <b>Minnesota</b>      | Exclude first \$3,000 of military pay plus an additional \$2,000 if received for military services outside the state                                                                                                                                                        | State of Minnesota<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>Centennial Office Bldg.<br>St. Paul, Minn. 55145                                  |
| <b>Mississippi</b>    | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State Tax Commission<br>Income Tax Division<br>Jackson, Miss. 39205                                                                                |
| <b>Missouri</b>       | All income is taxable unless you meet all 3 of the following: you have no permanent home in the state, you maintained a permanent home outside the state and didn't spend more than 30 days in Missouri. All non-military income is taxable.                                | Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Dept.<br>P.O. Box 629<br>Jefferson City, Mo. 65101                                                                  |
| <b>Montana</b>        | All military pay is exempt; other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                         | State of Montana<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Mitchell Bldg.<br>Helena, Mont. 59601                                                                      |
| <b>Nebraska</b>       | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Nebraska Dept. of Revenue<br>Box 94818<br>Lincoln, Nebr. 68509                                                                                     |
| <b>New Hampshire</b>  | Military pay is not taxed; other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | State of New Hampshire<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Administration<br>P.O. Box 637<br>Concord, N.H. 03301                                                |
| <b>New Jersey</b>     | All income is taxable unless you meet all 3 of the following: you had no permanent home in the state, you didn't spend more than 30 days in New Jersey and you maintained a permanent home outside the state. Barracks and BOQ aren't considered permanent places of abode. | Dept. of the Treasury<br>Division of Taxation<br>W. State and Willow Sts.<br>Trenton, N.J. 08625                                                   |
| <b>New Mexico</b>     | All military pay and other income is taxable regardless of duty station                                                                                                                                                                                                     | State of Mexico<br>Bureau of Revenue<br>P.O. Box 630<br>Santa Fe, N.Mex., 87503                                                                    |
| <b>New York</b>       | All income is taxable unless you meet all 3 of the following: you have no permanent home in the state, you maintained a permanent home outside the state and didn't spend more than 30 days in New York.                                                                    | State of New York<br>Dept. of Taxation and Finance<br>Income Tax Bureau<br>State Campus<br>Albany, N.Y. 12227                                      |
| <b>North Carolina</b> | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State of North Carolina<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Income Tax Division<br>P.O. Box 25000<br>Raleigh, N.C. 27640                                        |
| <b>North Dakota</b>   | First \$1,000 of military pay is exempt; all other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                        | State of North Dakota<br>Office of the Tax Commissioner<br>State Capitol Bldg.<br>Bismarck, N.Dak. 58505                                           |
| <b>Ohio</b>           | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State of Ohio<br>Dept. of Taxation<br>Columbus, Ohio 43215                                                                                         |
| <b>Oklahoma</b>       | First \$1,500 of active duty pay is exempt; all other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                     | Oklahoma Tax Commission<br>State of Oklahoma<br>Income Tax Division<br>Oklahoma City, Okla. 73101                                                  |
| <b>Oregon</b>         | Same as New York; otherwise, first \$3,000 of active duty pay is exempt and all other income taxable                                                                                                                                                                        | Oregon Dept. of Revenue<br>Audit Division<br>Salem, Ore. 97310                                                                                     |
| <b>Pennsylvania</b>   | All military pay is exempt if you are stationed outside the state but subject to tax if stationed in Pennsylvania                                                                                                                                                           | Commonwealth of Pennsylvania<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Harrisburg, Pa. 17128                                                                          |
| <b>Rhode Island</b>   | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Dept. of Administration<br>Division of Taxation<br>289 Promenade St.<br>Providence, R.I. 02908                                                     |
| <b>South Carolina</b> | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | South Carolina Tax Commission<br>Income Tax Division<br>P.O. Box 125<br>Columbia, S.C. 29214                                                       |
| <b>Tennessee</b>      | All military pay is exempt; income from stocks and bonds is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                         | State of Tennessee<br>Dept. of Revenue<br>Inheritance, Gift and Income Tax Division<br>Andrew Jackson State Office Bldg.<br>Nashville, Tenn. 37242 |
| <b>Utah</b>           | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | State Tax Commission<br>State Office Bldg.<br>Salt Lake City, Utah 84134                                                                           |
| <b>Vermont</b>        | All active duty military pay is exempt; other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                             | Dept. of Taxes<br>Montpelier, Vt. 05602                                                                                                            |
| <b>Virginia</b>       | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Commonwealth of Virginia<br>Dept. of Taxation<br>P.O. Box 760<br>Richmond, Va. 23282                                                               |
| <b>West Virginia</b>  | All military pay is exempt if you (a) didn't spend more than 30 days within the state and (b) maintained a permanent home outside the state; otherwise, the first \$4,000 of military pay is exempt; all other income is taxable                                            | State Tax Dept.<br>Income Tax Division<br>Charleston, W.Va. 25305                                                                                  |
| <b>Wisconsin</b>      | All military pay and other income is taxable                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | Wisconsin Dept. of Revenue<br>P.O. Box 90<br>Madison, Wis. 53701                                                                                   |

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## ... News Break ...

### USO volunteers needed

Young single women from the Armed Forces, or dependents, or friends of servicemen are needed to serve as volunteers one or two nights a week at San Francisco USO. You may select your own activity, whether it's helping on USO's information/referral switchboard, program planning, attending a dance, a sports activity, working on a community service project, a TV, newspaper, publicity campaign, taking a city Disco survey, helping needy children in the Tenderloin, going on bird watching outings, or hikes with forest rangers. Come to San Francisco USO and get involved, phone 776-3100.

### Sweetheart dance

Highlight of the month at San Francisco USO will be the big Sweetheart Dance at 8 p.m., Saturday, February 11, at the Center at 375 O'Farrell St. All military and dependents are most cordially invited to attend and join in the pre-Valentine's Day celebration. There will be refreshments, and a contest. Attire is casual, but ladies can wear long or short dresses, and something feminine and flouncy if they feel like it. Call 776-3100 for details.

### Tires available

The Army and Air Force Exchange Service has added automobile tires, by special order only, at the Presidio Exchange Main Service Station. See the Main Service Station management staff for details.

### Learning lab

Individualized instruction is available at your convenience in the Learning Lab between 4 p.m. and 7:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday. For information or to make an interview appointment, call the Learning Lab at 561/2974/4445 or come by the Army Education Center, Bldg 1216, Fort Scott.

### Music Center news

A new section of Guitar Lab Classes and a beginning-intermediate Tap Dancing Class are scheduled at the Presidio Music Center, located in the basement of the Recreation Center, Bldg 135. The beginning Guitar Lab will begin on Wednesday, February 15 at 6:30 p.m., for six weekly sessions. Guitars are provided for the audio-visual instruction and an experienced instructor guides individual progress within the class. Cost for the six-week course for beginners is \$12.00. No previous musical knowledge or instruction are required.

Tap Dancing Classes will begin on Thursday, February 16, at 6:30 p.m. The beginners-intermediate class will meet once a week and the charge is \$16.00 for the eight-week session. The course will be taught by Roger Henderson, an instructor from San Francisco State University, and a well-known Bay Area Choreographer.

For registration, visit the Music Center during operating hours: Monday-Thursday from 6-10 p.m., and Sunday from 1-5 p.m. For further information call 561-3992 or 5897 from 1-5 p.m.

### Band concert

The Sixth U.S. Army Band will perform two concerts in February, the Symphonic Band Concert and the Jazz Band Concert, at 7:30 p.m. at the Letterman Army Institute of Research Auditorium (Bldg 1110, adjacent to Letterman Army Medical Center), Presidio of San Francisco.

The Symphonic Band Concert, held monthly, will be performed on Wednesday, February 15. The program will include highlights from "Camelot" by Frederick Lerner, selections from the movie "Rocky" by Conti/Lowden, a tribute to Stephen Foster arranged by Sammy Nestico, "Rakes of Mallow" by Leroy Anderson, and the "Finale" from the "New World Symphony" by Antonin Dvorak.

The Jazz Band Concert, to be held Wednesday, February 22, will feature selections such as "Bel-lavia" by Chuck Mangione, "I Ain't Gonna Ask No More" by Toshiko Akiyoshi, "Groovin' Hard" by Don Menza, and "Quintado" by Don Schamber.

Both concerts are free and the public is invited to attend.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Feb. 10, Record City (PG), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 11, Hawmps (G), 2 and 7 p.m.  
Sunday, Feb. 12, Looking For Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Feb. 13, Looking For Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Feb. 14, Looking For Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 15, The Car (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 16, Sweet Revenge (PG), 7 p.m.

**HAWMPS (G)** Much to his dismay, Army lieutenant James Hampton is assigned to train camels for Texas desert use. The purebred Arabian mounts his squad expects turn out to have "hawmps". The troops' hearts are captured by a baby camel. Added to the comedy is a race pitting the camels against the horse troops.

### LOOKING FOR MR. GOODBAR (R)

Theresa Dunn (Diane Keaton) is a school teacher who works with deaf children by day and prowls the singles bars by night. She envies and tries to imitate her sister (Tuesday Weld) who is "into" the swinging singles scene.

### SWEET REVENGE (PG)

Seattle's Stockard Channing's playground as she steals cars and pursues her dream of owning an \$18,000-plus Dino Ferrari car. Later, in court, she is aided by public defender Sam Waterston, who is charmed by her brashness and shocked by her lack of scruples. Some nudity and strong language may offend some.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Feb. 10, The House That Vanished (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Feb. 13, Damnation Alley (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Feb. 14, Cross of Iron (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Feb. 15, Between The Lines (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Feb. 16, Record City (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

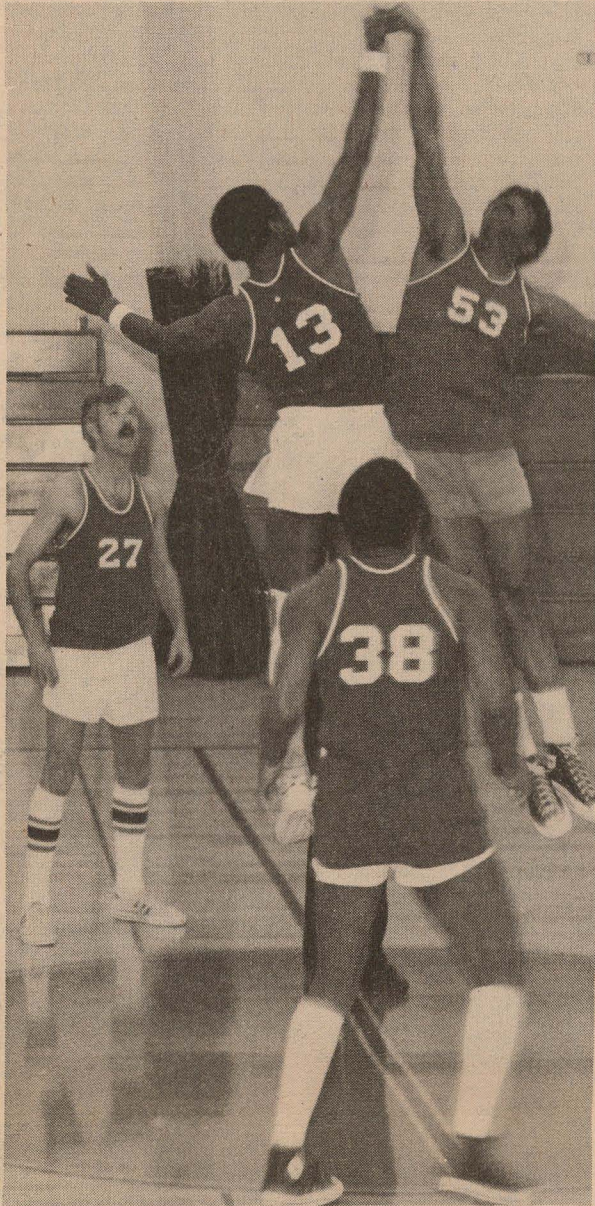
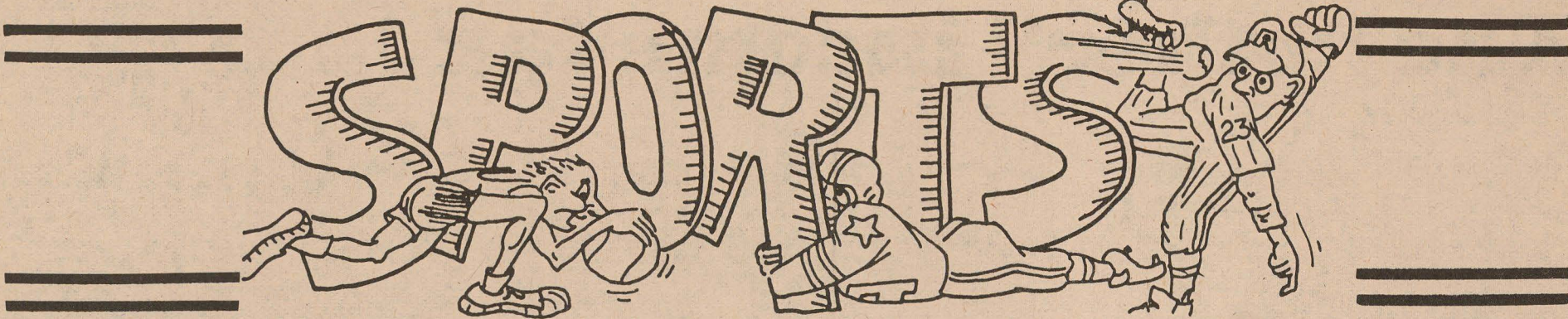
Monday, Feb. 13, Hawmps (G), 7 p.m.  
Friday, Feb. 17, Looking For Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Feb. 18, Sweet Revenge (PG), 7 p.m.

### HEROES (PG)

Henry Winkler moves away from his TV characterization in this touching and hilarious story about a Vietnam veteran who goes through wild experiences before he finally gets re-oriented. He meets Sally Field at a bus stop and the experiences they have on the journey from New York to California bring them close. Some material may not be suitable for children.





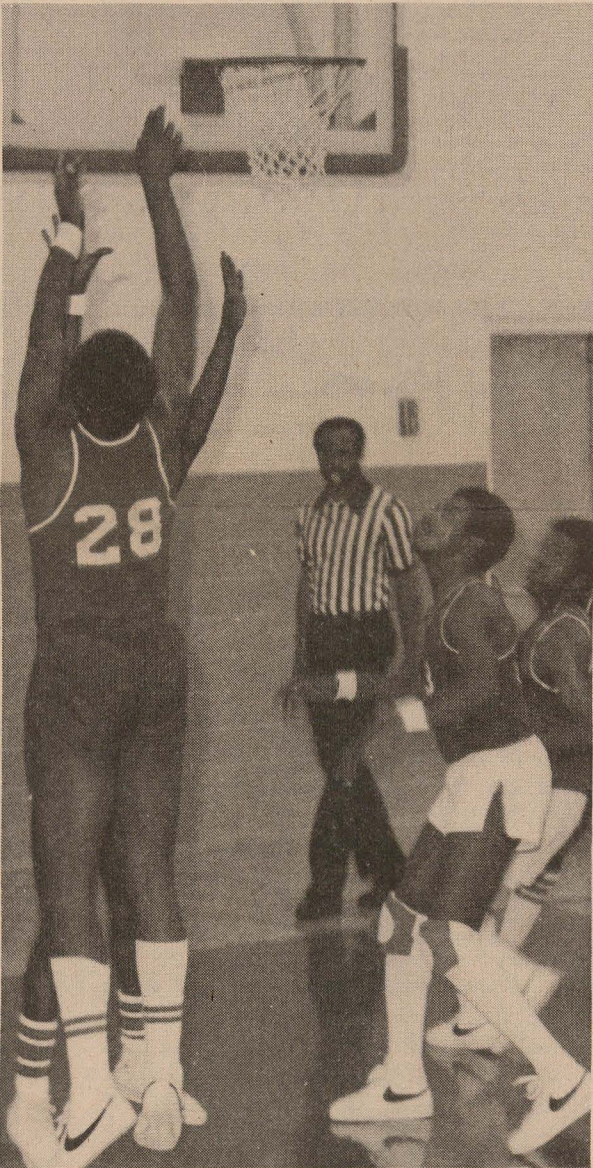


Trying to gain control of the ball is Leroy Love, 13, 666th Radar Sqdn. and O. B. McAnn, 53, 6th Army. Ready to grab the initial tip-off from them are Steve Holden, 27, 6th Army, and Nathaniel Jones, 38, 666th Radar Sqdn. The final score was 666th Radar Sqdn., 65-69.

photos by Sp4 Dan Jackson

Racquetball tourney

The Post Racquetball Championship Tournament will open Tuesday, February 14. Three divisions will make up the competition in the singles play tourney: Open Men (under 40 years of age), Seniors (over 40 years of age) and Open Women (18 years of age and up). Active duty military, dependents (18 years or older), retirees and DA civilians are eligible to participate. Entries for the tournament close next Tuesday, February 7, and registration may be accomplished at the main post Gym.



Going for a jump shot is Charles Brent, 28, 6th Army, while teammates and opponents wait for the rebound.

Baseball season

Errant baseballs, torn trousers, stolen bases and homeruns are part of the Presidio in spring and summer. Baseball season is on the way again! According to Presidio Youth Baseball Association (PYBA) officials, registrations to play in the spring Catholic Youth Organization League (CYO) will begin at 9 a.m., Saturday, February 18 in the lobby of the Post Gym. Another sign-up will be held on Saturday, February 25, also at 9 a.m., in the gym. The program is open to boys in grades four through eight. Teams are formed by grades and participate in a six-week program in San Francisco and the Presidio. Coaches and managers are also being recruited for this program. Applications will be taken beginning at 9 a.m., Saturday, February 18 in the Post Gym for girl's CYO Softball. Managers and coaches are also needed for this program. Girls in grades six through eight are invited to sign-up. PYBA officials are encouraging participation in the CYO program because it serves as an effective "spring training" for children who will play in the Presidio summer baseball programs. For additional information please contact Frank Castro between 3 and 4 p.m., at 561-7330 or after 7 p.m., at 587-4111.

All-Army basketball

The 1978 All-Army Basketball Team is laboring under Coach Hal Fisher to prepare themselves for the Interservice Basketball Championships, to be held at the Naval Base, Treasure Island, in March 1978. The Army team is defending champion. This year's team is a blend of veterans including Jyrone Ralston, Pierre Russell and Al Forney. Each has a lot of experience and talent. This year's team has more height than in the past, but some tall players have to prove themselves. The team will be winnowed down to twelve players before the Championship. A tough newcomer is James King. He has the height, weight and shot-blocking ability to make it big.

Strikers on winning streak

The Strikers are blessed with a reservoir of young soccer talent and once this talent is unleashed few teams seem to be able to compete with them. The Strikers kept all of the action down in the Knight's end of the field during the entire first half. They exhibited ball control over their opponents throughout the entire game. No one seems to be able to stop the Presidio Strikers Soccer Team as they continue to roll over opponents in the Under Eight League. This past Saturday they whipped the Vikings Knights 4-0. This extended their winning streak to seven games and puts their overall record at seven wins and no losses.

Rocky Wicks and Michael Stojic were able to break away from the defensive stalwarts of the Knights during the first half and each scored a goal. Throughout the entire game Jody Cason, Chris Marquis, Randy Kim, John McFarland, Robert Linden, and Dawson Rocik exhibited brilliance on defense. The Knights came alive during the second half, but they still could not contain the Strikers. Greg Keller and John Hagemeister each scored a goal in the second half with Tim Cason, John Stankewicz, Timmy Sexton, Dan Griffin, Ashley Williams and John Dowell adding offensive spark to the line-up. This Saturday, Feb. 11 the Strikers travel to South Sunset Field in San Francisco to play the West Lake Raiders at 2 p.m.

Road racing

Wednesday, February 15, the runners will take to the road for the 1978 Post Road Racing Championship beginning at noon at Post Gym #2. The course will be five miles along a scenic bay route and is 95 percent flat with one major hill. Active duty military, dependents, retirees and DA civilians assigned to the Presidio are eligible to enter one of the three classes: Open Men (29 years and younger), Vets (30 years plus) and Open Women (all ages).

Bowling standings

| Ft. Scott League | Won | Lost |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 45  | 11   |
| SFFO CID         | 41  | 15   |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 39½ | 16½  |
| USAG #2          | 36½ | 19½  |
| LAMC #2          | 29½ | 26½  |
| LAIR #2          | 25½ | 30½  |
| SIGSEC           | 22  | 34   |
| 504th MP Bn      | 22  | 34   |
| 16th BPO         | 20  | 36   |
| 87th Ord.        | 14  | 42   |
| Presidio League  | Won | Lost |
| Reg IX           | 46  | 10   |
| LAMC #2          | 43  | 13   |
| USACC            | 43  | 17   |
| LAIR #1          | 38  | 22   |
| Spt. Elm. #1     | 36  | 24   |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 23  | 33   |
| 51st Engrs       | 22  | 38   |
| USASSG           | 18  | 38   |
| USAG #1          | 18  | 42   |
| Courier Sta.     | 16  | 44   |
| 163rd MP Co      | 13  | 43   |

Post basketball action

In NCRC action last weekend, the PSF men's team was defeated by Beale AFB, 87-67. Harvey Boddy and Paul Gagnon from USAG were the leading scorers for PSF with 18 and 16 points respectively. The women's team split with Beale, winning the first game by the score of 43-37 and dropping the second contest 47-29. Carol Wright, LAMC, paced the offensive attack in the first game with 12 points, followed closely by Jean Ross, USAG, with 11 points. In a losing effort in the second game the PSF women were paced by Camille Barone, 402nd MP Co., with 8 points. The men travel to Moffett Field this Saturday and the women will be at home on Sunday for a 1 p.m. contest against Ft. Ord. Both teams have finished the NCRC League but will continue to play exhibition games in preparation for the FORSCOM Tournament March 6-11 at Ft. Carson, CO.



# Why Mason St. detours

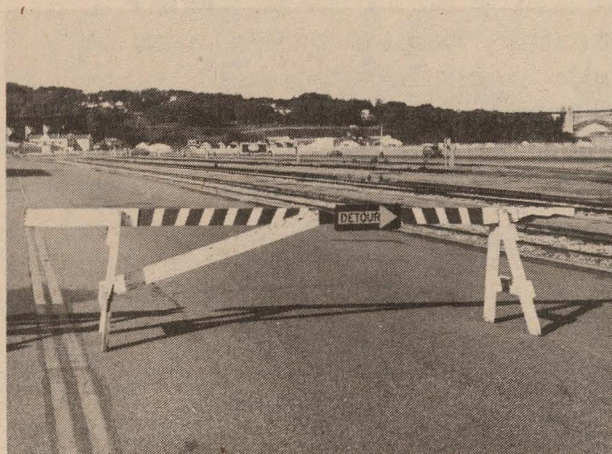


photo by Daniel Jackson

by Al West

If you've ever gone to the Main Post Exchange, chances are you've driven down Mason St. But if you've gone there recently, you've probably had to make at least one small detour around the saw horses put up there as a traffic barricade. One day the detour might be to the new Mason St., then it's changed to the old Mason St.

There are reasons for the detours, saw horses, and the inconvenience of trying to figure out which way you're supposed to be going. First, when it rains substantially, the road through old Crissy Field has a tendency to flood, according to Sgt. Gary L. Moulton,

Traffic Section, Provost Marshal's Office. This can result in auto electrical systems shorting out, cars stalling and high-water problems for drivers trying to get through the area. To counteract the problem, cars are routed down new Mason St.

Another frequent cause of the detour is the construction of a helipad at the west end of Mason St. When the engineers are working there, the new road is blocked off and the old one is reopened.

Luckily the engineers can't work in the rain, so it even out well: when it rains, the engineers don't work, so traffic is routed to new Mason St. When the weather permits outdoor work, traffic goes to the old Mason St.

The Military Police are responsible for moving the road blocks (saw horses) around, and for determining whether or not it is necessary to do so.

Future plans for Mason St. include reworking the drainage system, raising the roadbed, realigning the west end of the road, and installing street lights along that stretch of road.

Although it may be confusing and inconvenient now, ultimately this work will provide the Presidio with an excellent road.

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## Changes in changing rank

Major changes in a revised E-5 and E-6 promotion worksheet are expected to drop individual promotion points and DA cutoff scores. The new worksheet, containing the first changes in three years, is scheduled to be in Army-wide use in February and will determine cutoff scores beginning May 1.

The worksheet retains a 1,000-point ceiling, but point categories have been changed and points redistributed. It eliminates 25 points for physical requirements and 100 points for a commander's evaluation. Revised areas include a possible 150 points each for EER weighted averages and SQT scores and a score of 200 for combined military and civilian education.

Maximum points for all other categories are the same but some are computed differently or requirements are added and deleted.

Only one point is given for each month exceeding the time in service (TIS) requirement in the new worksheet, compared to two points under the current system. Each month under the requirement (for soldiers requiring a TIS waiver) carries a one point penalty instead of the current one-half point penalty for each six-month period below the requirement.

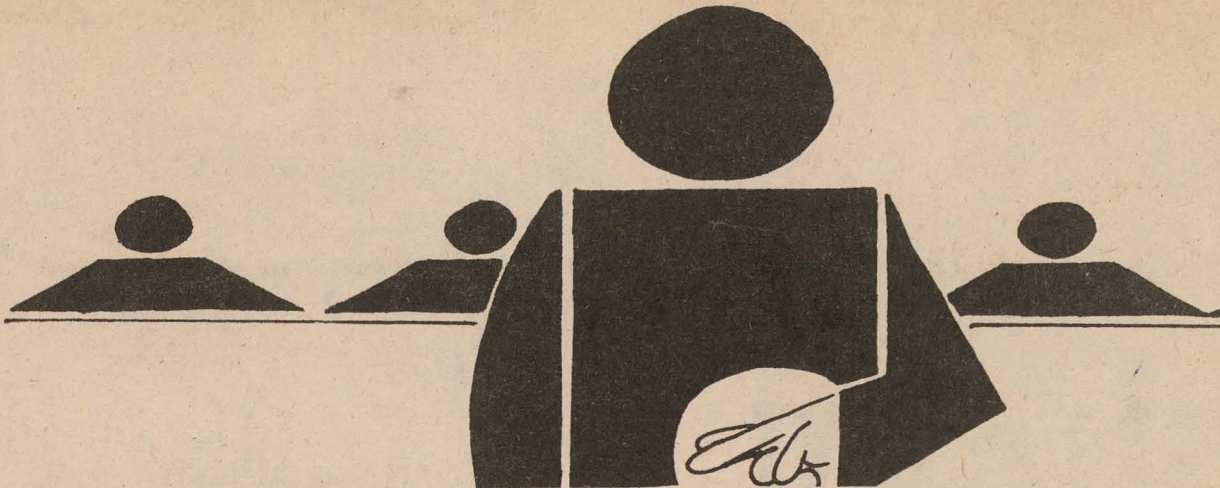
Time in grade (TIG) requirements carry 70 points instead of the current 60 points. Additions and subtractions for TIG requirements are unchanged.

EER and MOS test scores are currently combined for a maximum score of 150. The new system now allows 150 points each for EER weighted averages, and SQT scores replace MOS test scores. This change is the main reason for the worksheet revision. An administrative score is computed based on an average of other categories for soldiers without SQT scores.

The awards and decorations category still carries a maximum 50 points but the Purple Heart has been added for six points and expert infantry and medical badges have been added for four points each.

The most drastic changes are in the education category. The current 125 military education and 100 civilian education points are combined for a maximum 200 points (using any combination) of the two areas. This allows soldiers with more than 100 points in civilian or more than 125 points in military education to transfer points into the other education category.

Point values for military education are changed for some training. Military correspondence courses



are now worth the approximate value of resident courses. Currently, soldiers are given far more points for correspondence courses than resident courses. A correspondence course of 250 credit hours currently awards a one-half point per hour, or the maximum 125 points. The new system awards 16 points for a 250 credit hour correspondence course, based on dividing the hours by 15 and allowing no points for 14 hours or less.

Other military education point values are changed. Points for NCOES are no longer allowed since the EPMS is requiring either NCOES or equivalent experience for promotion. NCO academies are being phased out of the Army training system and will no longer carry 20 points for a four-week course. Instead, two points will be awarded for each week of an NCO academy, based on a new computation for leadership courses.

Civilian education points are no longer awarded for elementary school attendance since it is mandatory for all enlisted personnel. High school points are not awarded to E-5s competing for E-6 promotions since it too is a mandatory requirement. E-4s are still awarded 60 points for high school completion, or 15 points per year.

College credit hour points are increased from one-half point per hour to one point under the new system, whether they are resident, correspondence or test credits.

The 250 points possible from a promotion board remain unchanged.

The new system is expected to reduce individual promotion scores and DA cutoff scores. DA is anticipating that some soldiers will fall below the

current minimum cutoff from 600 to 550 points. Soldiers who fall below the minimum 550 for an E-6 promotion or the minimum 500 for promotion to E-5 secondary and 450 for E-5 primary zone, will be allowed to remain on promotion lists.

The 25-point physical requirement was dropped, according to a DA official, because it discriminates against soldiers with legitimate physical profiles. He said the commander's evaluation was also dropped because commanders' ratings are usually high and do not provide a comparison between soldiers.

The expected drop in promotion scores will not discriminate against soldiers, the official stressed. Soldiers who lose points because they no longer receive credit for high school NCOES, or are without SQT scores will compete with soldiers who also lose these points. As overall scores drop — as expected — for soldiers competing for promotions in the same MOS, cutoff scores will also drop.

An ARNEWS sampling of the new worksheet resulted in a drop of 122 points for one E-5. The current worksheet score is 852 and the new worksheet score dipped to 730. Individual scores will drop more or less, depending on which changes most affect each person.

DA officials plan to issue lengthy instructions on the new worksheet which they say contain "safeguards for soldiers" changing the April 1978 recomputation to February. Questions on the new worksheet should be directed to local personnel officials in February, allowing them time to study it. (ARNEWS).

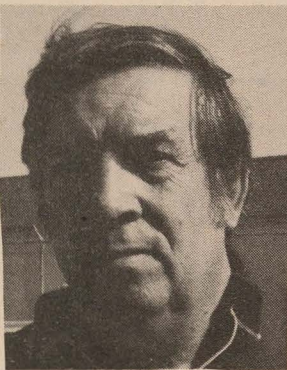


# Ramblin' Sam



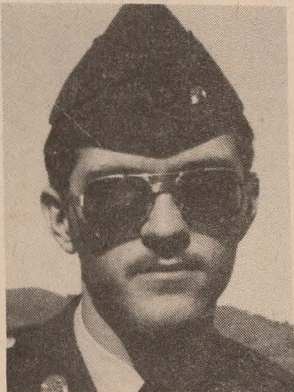
Rita Oblander, Active Duty Air Force, Travis AFB. "I don't mind the two-percent increase. In fact, I think it'll be better that way. I don't think the baggers will make as much money. I think the baggers should bring the groceries out to the car for you for the extra tip."

Erroll Connor, Retired Army. "The baggers are a non-paid people. They've got to make money, too, so I don't see why not. Everybody else is making money. The tips will go down from the 'cheap-charley's' who come by. I bought \$200 worth of groceries and I gave the girl \$4.00. Even if she were making a salary, I'd give her the same amount. She's working the same-so why not? I'm retired military-I make \$16.00 an hour altogether-why shouldn't I tip her?"



Ruth Johnson, LAMC dependent. "I think it's pretty fair. The baggers should get a decent salary. Some don't tip them at all right now. They pay with checks and they don't reach into their pocket for change."

The Civil Service Commission recently ruled that baggers in military commissaries must be paid a minimum hourly wage rather than work solely for tips. According to ARMY TIMES, the Department of Defense's response to the ruling has been to add a two-percent user's charge to grocery bills of stateside commissary shoppers by July 30 to pay for baggers wages. With this in mind, we asked commissary patrons what they thought about this decision.



Kevin Nash, HQ. Co., USAG Photo Lab, Sp4. "Since we do almost all our shopping at the commissary, we tip the baggers. As long as they're going to be paid, and they won't be depending on tips, I think it's o.k., but the baggers shouldn't expect to make as much in tips."

Lt. Gary Woods, WRR, Ft. Baker. "The baggers will probably make less money after they start working for regular wages than they do now with the tip system. I guess to allow them to be paid we have to increase the prices. It doesn't bother me at all."



Bert Gomez, LAMC dependent. "I think the groceries are a little high for my budget already. We've got three kids. I don't think the prices should be raised. It's unfair to the customers. I think the baggers make enough from tips. I've heard of some baggers who make up to \$40.00 in tips a day. Not all of them do, but we were stationed in Germany and a lot of my friends worked as baggers and they were making a lot in tips. I think the tips will definitely go down. I know I won't be tipping as much!"

# ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. I would like to have someone at least try to get the heat turned on in the Scott Hall guest house. It's very cold there at night. I'm told it is operated by a thermostat, which I really don't believe because there's never any heat on in there. It's really very uncomfortable for the guests. Thank you.

Name withheld

A. We appreciate your bringing the heating problem at Scott Hall to our attention. We restored heating to all rooms and common areas in Scott Hall within two days after your question was posed, (Feb.1). I hope the problem has been solved to your satisfaction.

Mr. James Corum  
Chief, Housing Division

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: L-I-N-E; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
Public Affairs Office  
Headquarters, Presidio of  
San Francisco, CA 94129

Dear Editor:

Two weeks ago the Star Presidian ran an article encouraging the military community to build their credit rating, which is a good thing to have; however, we at the Budget Counseling/Debt Liquidation Section of Army Community Service daily see the problems associated with the abuse of credit and are constantly amazed at the ease with which people are able to get it - even though there is no way they can pay the bill when it comes due. We frequently see men and women, single and married, of all grades, who have surpassed their ability to pay their creditors.

The Credit Union is certainly one of the best places to get a loan if you really do need the money, but in our estimation there are only a few reasons why money should be borrowed; which include a new home, a car, etc. These are usually quite expensive items and it is difficult to save up enough cash to handle them even if you have been saving for a long period. But remember, the bigger the down payment and the faster you pay back the money, the less you'll pay in interest charges. The best way to pay for anything, of course, is on a cash basis.

The unwise use of credit cards, too, can cause serious financial problems. It is easy to overspend, and for many it is a real shock when the bill comes after a spending spree. You can make minimum payments, but how long can that go on before you cannot make them anymore and you are paying delinquent interest charges.

If you need help with your financial planning, phone Army Community Service at 5057 for an appointment with a Budget Counselor. The qualified staff will be glad to help you with your confidential financial planning and help you get what you want from the money you work so hard to get.

ACS staff

We appreciate hearing from you on the article "It pays to shop for Credit" (in the Friday, January 27, issue). The SP staff was not advocating the unwise use of credit, but was, instead, trying to show Presidio personnel ways to establish a good, concrete credit rating through the Credit Union.

The information you have shared with us should, indeed, help those looking for credit, budget counseling, etc. Thank you for your interest in sharing this information.

The Editor

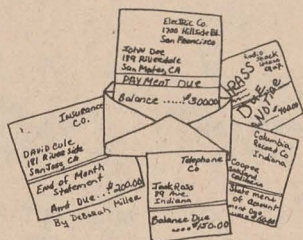
# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



An often unwelcome reminder



Solution to last week's: VACATE, LURCH, TRACER, RELIEF, MARTYR  
ANSWER: TRAVELER

Solution in next week's SP

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

# Troop Talk

402nd MP Co (Lt. ESPLIN) - Members of the unit bid farewell to Sp4 Adolph R. Symitczek who is PCSing to Germany. In the meantime, Pvt. David Levin was welcomed to the unit's Motor Pool.

D Co, 864th Engrs Bn (Sgt. TAYLOR) - Pvts. Gary Pulis and Michael Such are newcomers to the unit. Welcome! Good luck and farewell to PFC Douglas Brown who is ETSing.

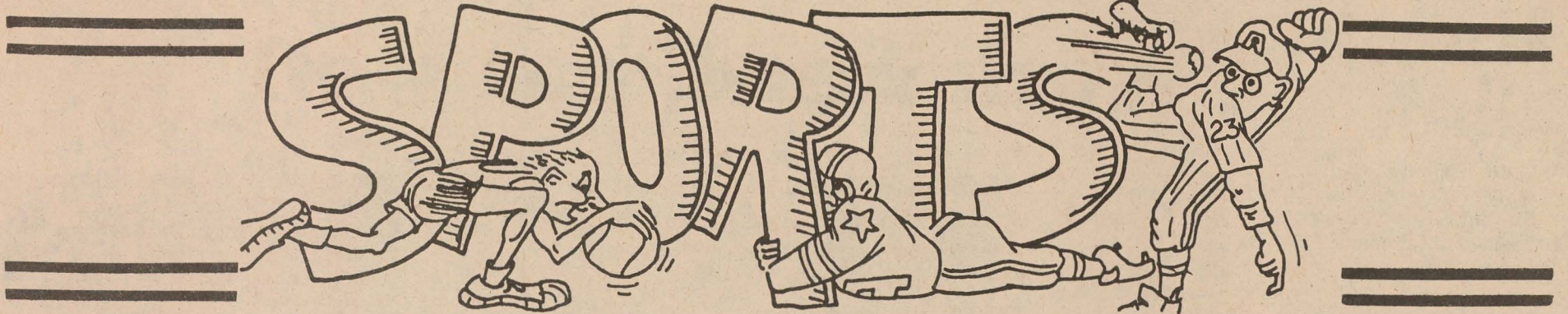
170th MP Co (Sgt TOLLEY) - The unit welcomed the following Pvts as newcomers: Matthew Peed, Michael Remillard and Michael Stewart.

HHD, 504th MP Bn (PFC REYES) - MSgt. George Kitrinos, Operations Sergeant in S-3, is retiring. He has decided to call it quits after 25 years of service. Good luck!! Taking over the S-3 slot is SFC Daniel McGinley. Sp4 Denise Scarboro is the Battalion's new 'Legal Eagle' or Legal Clerk. She will be handling all legal actions for the battalion.

# Star Presidian

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Approximately 30 runners turned out Wednesday for the five-mile road race at the Presidio. Participants were placed in three divisions; Open Men, Senior Men, and Open Women. Part of the course ran parallel to Crissy Field along the promenade. (US Army Photo by Ron Renouf)

## Night and day run

If you're one of those people who jog to maintain physical fitness and have maybe envisioned yourself as a long distance runner, read on.

The year was 1814. The War of 1812 wasn't going very well and General Andrew Jackson needed reinforcements to fight the British at New Orleans. His only source of men was from General William Carroll, who could muster troops from Kentucky and Tennessee. But General Carroll was in Nashville, 600 miles away, and time was critical.

After studying his map, General Jackson told his messenger, a Mohegan Indian named Holdfast Gaines, that he could give him only 10 days to deliver the message to Nashville, if Carroll's troops were to reach New Orleans before Christmas.

Holdfast started his epic run on Nov. 7. Through the days (and some of the nights) his long legs carried him along the Tombigbee River to Yowanni, Pontotoc and Colbert's Ferry and then along the cane brakes of the Natchez Trace to Nashville.

General Carroll was sitting down to dinner on the night of Nov. 12 when Holdfast interrupted him to lay Jackson's message in his hands. Carroll noted the date of the letter, and announced in disbelief that Jackson's messenger had run the 600 miles from Mobile to Nashville in just six days. It was an incredible feat.

Holdfast did not hear the excited talk throughout the night as plans were made to move down the river to Jackson's aid. He was undoubtedly fast asleep.

General Carroll and his 3,000 troops reached New Orleans in time to help Jackson defeat the British, thanks to this unsung hero of the War of 1812, Holdfast Gaines, probably one of the greatest runners of all times.

And that's a record worth thinking about as you jog along, especially if you need some added inspiration as you enter the homeward stretch.

# Deer hunters only

Deer hunters in California will have a number of options as to when, where and how they hunt during the 1978 season under a plan unveiled last Friday, Feb. 10, by the state Department of Fish and Game.

The DFG said exercising the options should provide a better hunting experience as well as help reduce hunting pressure on critical deer herds, more evenly distribute hunters, improve buck-doe ratios and fawn survival, and generate better data on hunter preferences, which should improve hunting through more effective management.

Under the hunt plan the state would be divided into zones with some zones limited to permit-only quota and bonus hunts.

Hunters would select the zone in which they wish to hunt and would be given a number of options for taking a second deer if they wanted two deer and paid an \$8.00 application fee. The present \$3.00 would purchase only one tag under the proposal.

Department Director E.C. Fullerton explained that three general types of hunts are proposed:

1. Zone hunts (most areas of the state) in which there would be no limit on the number of hunters and for which a hunter could select a hunting site by choosing the appropriate zone. If he had paid the \$8.00 application fee, he could choose to hunt for a second deer in a two-deer zone or apply for a bonus hunt.

2. Quota hunts (northeastern California and east slope of the Sierra) in which a limited number of permits would be issued. If drawn for such a hunt, the hunter could hunt only in that area and could not apply for a bonus hunt.

3. Bonus hunts (designated local areas) in which a hunter could take a second deer---antlerless or either sex---under a permit issued by drawing.

The hunter would purchase his tag application---\$3.00 for one deer, \$8.00 for two or the opportunity to hunt in two zones---from a license agent. Agents would have supplies of maps showing the hunt zones along with application instructions and copies of regulations.

The hunter would have to decide at the time he purchased his application: (1) Whether to hunt with rifle or bow and arrow, and (2) whether to try for one or two deer. On the basis of these decisions he would select the areas or zones in which to hunt, indicate these choices on the application and mail it to Sacramento. DFG headquarters would return the appropriate tags by mail.

Fullerton noted that hunters would have to act promptly in making their choice and returning applications, this because of the short period of time between adoption of regulations by the Fish and Game Commission and the start of the first coastal deer season.

He emphasized that details of the plan still are being worked out and that the plan is subject to change and even rejection by the commission.

Final presentation of the plan to the commission will come April 7 in Sacramento along with DFG recommendations for 1978 hunting and trapping regulations for other mammals and furbearers.

There will be a commission hearing on DFG and public recommendations April 28, in San Diego. The commission will announce its proposed regulations at that time. Final adoption of the new rules, including the 1978 deer hunt plan, is scheduled for May 26 in Los Angeles.

## Hit the road, Jack



The rewards are still there, however, for those who love the wild backcountry enter it humbly, take from it only memories, and leave behind only footprints.

Anyone in good health, leading a reasonably active life can hoist a nine-pound pack and embark on a modest weekend jaunt without much physical preparation.

A person of ordinary strength with a fairly heavy load may average two miles an hour on an easy trail and hike six or seven hours a day without pain, say seasoned backpackers.

To a novice, almost any prolonged climbing can seem burdensome. "The first thing that struck me about the Appalachian Trail was that it all seemed uphill," recalls one rookie.

### Hike Brings Freedom

Confirmed backpackers feel the rewards easily outweigh the discomforts. A 24-year-old woman extols the virtue of solo hikes. "Traveling alone," she explains, "a sense of freedom fills me. I can set my own pace, relax, and enjoy the beauty of nature without social distractions."

For beginning backpackers, however, a party of three is recommended as the smallest safe number, except on the easiest, most heavily traveled trails. A solo hiker, when injured, can only shout, wait, and hope.

A pair of sturdy, well-broken-in boots is essential to all hikers regardless of experience. But even good boots couldn't help the greenhorn who tried to ease the workload on his legs by tying a cord from each ankle to each wrist so his arms could help lift his feet.

On the first trail, he jerked one foot from under him, fell off the path and rolled into a prickly alder thicket. It took the rest of his group an hour to cut him loose. (AFPS)

"Don't fall down. You'll get trampled to death," lament backpackers these days.

Popular footpaths are turning into backcountry freeways as more and more hikers seek to get away from it all on weekends and extended wilderness journeys. Some 20 million people have tried backpacking and the number grows every year, reports the National Geographic Society.

### Signs Are Ignored

Despite pleas for caution, wilderness areas in many parts of the country are showing wear and tear. "Carry out what you carry in," command signs at trailheads — yet litter still mars forests, mountain paths, and meadows. The mess moves hiking clubs to organize clean-up excursions.



# Work hard, eat well

by Linda Spillane

Eating in unit mess halls is a necessity for many soldiers and a convenience for others. But to the engineers of D Company, 864th Battalion, it's mostly a pleasure nowadays.

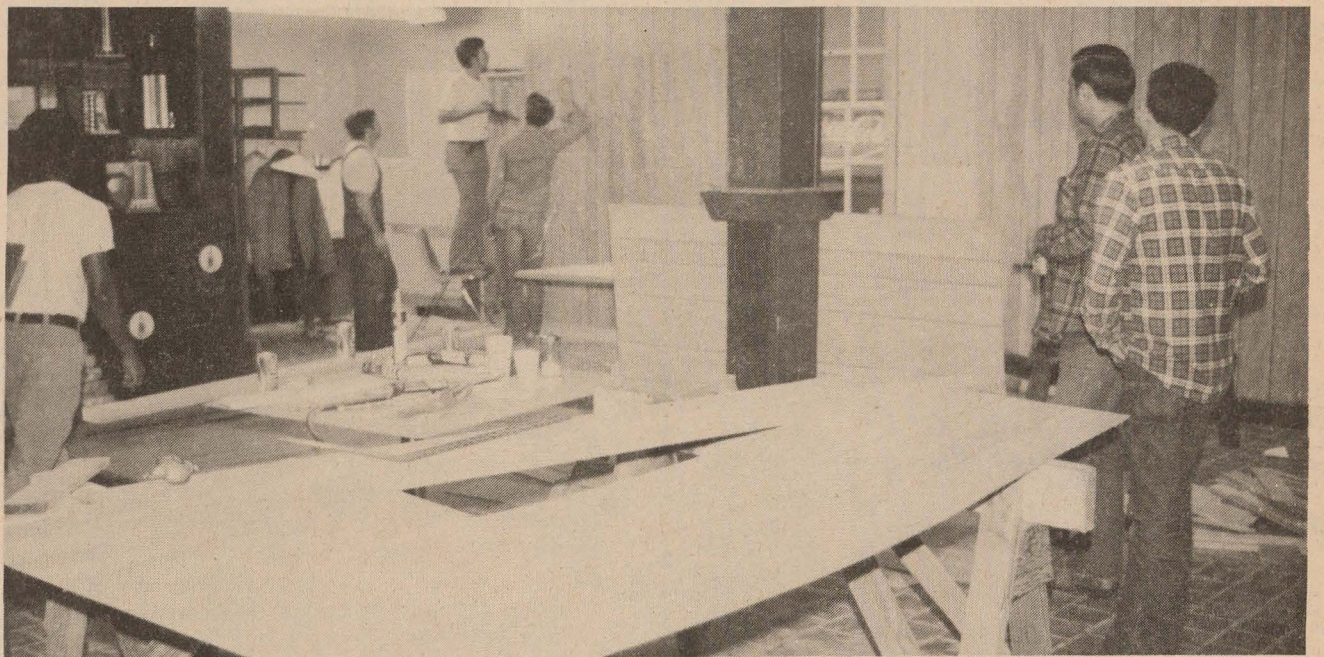
That's because their dining facility, located in the Fort Scott area of the Presidio, seems to just keep improving day by day. The facility, which has been designated "Best Presidio Dining Facility" each quarter since July 1976, has recently been renovated and is better than ever.

Soldiers who eat there regularly think that good food and top-notch mess hall personnel are the most pleasing aspects of the engineers' dining facility. "It serves pretty good food," agrees Sp4 Mark Lagrimas, who eats there often. "The most unique thing this dining facility has going for it is the quality of the food service personnel . . . they've all done an outstanding job," adds SFC Howard Berry, Food Service Sergeant for the facility.

The renovation of the mess hall was completed by 30 engineers from the first and second platoons of D Company with help from the Facility Engineers, the Directorate of Industrial Operations, and Headquarters Command. The soldiers worked for over two weeks during duty hours and on their own time to finish the job.

Besides making their dining environment more pleasant, the renovation also put the engineers' mess in contention for a trophy, the Phillip A. Connelly Award for excellence in the preparation and serving of food. The award is presented annually to the best dining facility in the Army.

photo courtesy 864th Engr Bn



Members of the 864th Engr. Bn. renovate their dining facility.

Within Forces Command (FORSCOM), each installation chooses its best dining facility to represent the post, and then a special food service inspection team is sent out to choose the most outstanding among them. The D Company mess hall was picked as the Presidio's representative this time, and underwent an inspection in January. According to Lt. William Ryerson, Company Food Service Officer, "We didn't have to do much more than we normally

do for the competition. The dining facility always operates at such a high standard that very little needed to be done." SFC Berry added that "We try to be ready for any inspection on a day-to-day basis."

Food service personnel here think that D Company has a chance to cinch at least the FORSCOM competition. "They're as good as anyone else," said a knowledgeable observer.

## News Break

### Dependent student aid

The Army Emergency Relief Undergraduate Educational Assistance Program for unmarried dependent sons and daughters of active and retired Army personnel has been expanded. Loans and scholarships are available to pursue vocational training or to prepare beyond the high school level for acceptance by service academies or for a college degree.

The maximum scholarship is \$1500 each school year; maximum total \$6000 each student.

Need, merit, ability, and acceptance at accredited schools are criteria considered in all cases. Completed applications for the 1978/1979 school year must reach Headquarters, Army Emergency Relief, not later than March 15. Applications may be obtained from the Army Emergency Relief Office, Bldg 214, Ext 5256.

### Medical booklet published

Letterman Army Medical Center has published a 60-page booklet containing valuable information about minor illnesses and injuries which can normally be treated at home.

"The Patient's Medical Advisor" lists more than 60 common medical problems, describes the ailment, the treatment recommended, which drugs to use, and when to consult a doctor. There is also a list of medications that can be obtained at the hospital pharmacy without a doctor's prescription.

Copies of the Patient's Medical Advisory are available at the Screening Clinic (Outpatient Clinic) on the second floor of LAMC.

### AA degree offered

Mrs. Cheryl Sylvester has recently been named coordinator for the Universal College Program at the Presidio. The program, an extension of Azusa Pacific College, allows students to take courses necessary for an Associate of Arts (A.A.) degree through the use of video-taped lectures. The program is ideal for military personnel whose work does not permit regularly scheduled classes, since students can attend class at any time. Mrs. Sylvester is available for counseling between 9 a.m. and 1 p.m., Monday-Friday at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Room 15. For more information call 561-3958 during those hours.

### ACS awards luncheon

The Presidio Army Community Services held its semi-annual Volunteer Recognition and Awards Luncheon, Wednesday, Feb. 8, in the Presidio Officers Club. Colonel John D. Hamilton, Post Commander, made the presentations.

Volunteers and their awards are: **Marge Hills** and **Mary Schuster**, each received a 13-year Pin, for thirteen years of volunteer service; **Jean Nathaniel**, 5-year Pin; **Ben Franklin**, 4-year Pin with 2500-hour Guard; **Mary Henrich** and **Kathleen Loeffler**, 3-year Pin with 1000-hour Guard; **Doris Bleich**, 3-year Pin with 500-hour Guard; **Noreen Musgrove**, 3-year Pin, **Jo Leach**, 2-year Pin with 500-hour Guard; **Sheila Kim**, 2-year Pin with 250-hour Guard; **Lee Nightingale** and **Barbara Schreiber**, 2-year Pins.

Also, **Bonnie Cain**, 1-year Pin and 50-hour Pin; **Harriane Nathaniel**, 1-year Pin; **Peg Flanagan**, 250-hour Guard; **Maureen Bowen**, **Susie McCauley** and **Donna Vincent**, 50-hour Pin and ACS Volunteer Uniform. Receiving 50-hour Pins for their volunteer service were: **Kyonghoe Bach**, **Margo Baringer**, **Sherrie Danielson**, **Linda Dempsey**, **Tammy Gilbert**, **Tina Goodman**, **Margaret Holmes**, **Frances Huggins**, **Nita Juarez**, **Sharon Meegan**, **Barbara Rouse** and **Carol Warther**.

### Facilities closed Monday

All Presidio Exchange facilities will be closed Monday, February 20, in observance of Washington's Birthday.

### Retired pay questions

The Retired Pay Operations Section, US Army Finance and Accounting Center (USAFAC), can answer your pay questions.

To help compute your retired pay, be prepared to provide the following:

- retirement grade;
- date of rank;
- service or disability retirement;
- total service (active and reserve);
- years of service for basic pay purposes.

You may call toll free 800-428-2290 or AUTOVON 699-3911 or write Commander, USAFAC, ATTN: Retired Pay Operations, Dept. 90, Indianapolis, IN 46249.

Due to the arrangement of the work load at USAFAC, calls received between the 10th and 20th of each month are processed fastest. (FORSCOM)

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday**, Feb. 17, Sweet Revenge (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, Feb. 18, The Greatest (PG), 7 p.m.

**Sunday**, Feb. 19, Heroes (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, Feb. 20, Heroes (PG), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, Feb. 21, The Town That Dreaded Sundown (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, Feb. 22, First Love (R), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, Feb. 23, Another Man, Another Chance (PG), 7 p.m.

### THE TOWN THAT DREADED SUNDOWN

(R) In 1946 five people were brutally murdered and others nearly killed in Texarkana, Ark., by a hooded madman. Texas Ranger Ben Johnson and deputy Andrew Prine are called in to investigate. All citizens obtain guns and everything closes at sundown. Although the killer is thought to be fatally wounded and gone into the swamp to die, he is never found.

### FIRST LOVE (R)

A romantic college boy meets a glamorous poor little rich girl who puts him under her spell. The film follows them from courtship through their intense love affair.

### SWEET REVENGE (PG)

Seattle is Stockard Channing's playground as she steals cars and pursues her dream of owning an \$18,000-plus Dino Ferrari car. Later, in court, she is aided by public defender Sam Waterston, who is charmed by her brashness and shocked by her lack of scruples. Some nudity and strong language may offend some.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday**, Feb. 17, The Teacher (R), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, Feb. 20, Looking For Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, Feb. 21, The Car (PG), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, Feb. 22, Sweet Revenge (PG), 7 p.m.

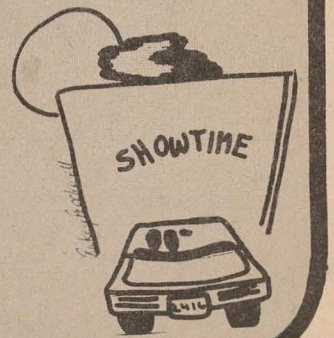
**Thursday**, Feb. 23, The Greatest (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Due to distribution problems, next week's schedule for Oakland Army Base theater was not available at press time.

### HEROES (PG)

Henry Winkler moves away from his TV characterization in this touching and hilarious story about a Vietnam veteran who goes through wild experiences before he finally gets re-oriented. He meets Sally Field at a bus stop and the experiences they have on the journey from New York to California bring them close. Some material may not be suitable for children.





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## 70 cases per year:

# Child abuse: PSF epidemic?

by Rebecca S. Hall

No one wakes up thinking "Today I'm going to abuse my child." Abuse is not something we think about, it's something we do.

Incidents involving child abuse are numerous, and according to a recent report, **Child Abuse and Neglect** from the Pediatric Annals, it has been estimated that more deaths of children in the United States are caused by child abuse than by all diseases combined. Many of these pass undetected. Even so, there were an estimated one million children who suffered from abuse and neglect in America last year and at least 2,000 of them died.

Child abuse is not a new problem. According to **Background to the Current Interest in Child Abuse and Neglect**, by Rowland L. Mindlin, M.D., the case of "Mary Ellen," a child who was beaten and starved by her adoptive parents in New York City in 1874, led to the founding of the first Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Children in the United States. Child abuse has been around as long as there have been children.



Photo by Jim Canfield

Many parents, unknowingly or unconsciously, engage in one or more forms of child abuse. Child abuse may be defined as the "physical or mental injury, sexual abuse, negligent treatment, or maltreatment of a child under the age of 18 by a person who is responsible for the child's welfare, under circumstances which indicate the health or welfare is harmed or threatened thereby."

**"... there have been an average of 70 cases each year. And there has been one death ..."**

The Presidio is by no means exempt from this epidemic. Since 1973, there have been an average of 70 child abuse cases each year. These are the reported ones. And there has been one death.

"It is important to remember that each of us has the potential to abuse," explained Dr. (LTC) Larrie Wanberg, chairman of the Child Protection Case Management Team, "given the three sets of circumstances that make it happen."

"There are three major criteria for child abuse to take place. The first is the potential to abuse. If the parents were abused as children," Dr. Wanberg continued, "the potential for them to follow suit is very high. Parents have a tendency to raise their children as they, themselves, were raised. They tend to have very high expectations of their children. Too high, in fact." "They think the child should be toilet trained at very early ages and be walking by six months of age."

The next criterion for abuse is the child. The abused child is often a special child, retarded, illegitimate, precocious, or hyper-active. It's usually only one child in a family who's abused. This is the child the parent perceives differently.

The third criterion is a crisis. This could range from a broken iron to a bounced check. There are two components that make up a crisis. First, the actual crisis, but secondly is the crisis of self-esteem. Something has happened to make the parent feel worthless, so he turns to the child, much as his parents had done, for support. When the child doesn't give that support, he is punished.

"Prevention is the major thrust now," explained Dr. Wanberg, "because the first time a child is abused it is usually a minor problem. But the second time is much worse, and it progresses. Our main objective is to protect the child, then treat the problem within the family."

To help identify the family problem, a Child Protective Case Management Team was formulated with representatives from the chaplain's office, pediatrics, social services, child psychology, a nurse clinician, an Army health nurse, a representative from the MPs, and a social worker from ACS. These people meet once a week, review a case, and make a recommendation as to what special service would help them.

**"... one of the toughest things we have to handle is ... sexual abuse ..."**

"At times it's a financial crisis which precipitates the abuse," explained Dr. Wanberg. "In this instance, financial counseling from ACS could be the answer... Other times it would be a parenting problem. Some people just need to be taught how to be parents. This is where educating the public comes in. There are expectant parents classes, as well as parent effectiveness classes offered which could help many people a great deal. Even those who are not potential abusers."

"In addition to making people aware of child abuse, it's also important to let them know that it is an open subject and they are free to talk about it," added Dr. (Col.) J.L. Stewart, MC, Chief of Pediatrics. "We are not a punishing team. The whole goal is to identify that the family has a problem and find a solution for it."

"We don't want to scare people," Dr. Stewart continued. "When a child is brought to the emergency room we do check for signs of abuse, but only so we can help the family before the problems become disasters."

"If they would also call us when they feel like hitting a child, before they do hit him, then we could help. It's also important to recognize that it is a normal parent feeling to want to hit your child



Photo by Jim Canfield

sometimes. At times, they just drive you up the wall. That's perfectly normal," explained Dr. Stewart, "but the thing that is inappropriate is not the feeling, but the ACTION."

"Physical abuse is the most commonly reported one, it's the one we can see. There is a fair amount of sexual abuse, and that's one of the toughest things we have to handle because it's hard to get the story out," Dr. Stewart continued. "There's also a fair amount of what we call neglect and that's picked up more in a failure to thrive — the child is failing to grow and develop normally."

"There are different ways to discipline a child other than beat him. You never know, as a parent, when your anger is going to be greater than just your desire to discipline," Dr. Stewart explained. "You're so mad at that kid that you just lash out and forget your strength. That kind of uncontrolled anger is the problem area."

"If people would recognize when they have a problem and call somebody we could prevent a lot of this. But it's very hard to admit that you need help. If we could get them to do this we would really accomplish something," Dr. Stewart concluded.

If you are confronted with a problem with your child, please contact LTC Larrie Wanberg, Social Work Services, at 561-3208 during duty hours; Pediatric clinic at 561-5481 during duty hours and 561-4328 evenings, weekends and holidays. You can also call the MPs, the Emergency Room and the San Francisco Talk Line (826-0800) for help or advice. Sometimes it helps just to have someone who will listen.

**With the toss-up at center court, LAMC #1 and Garrison squared off for the Post Championship last week. For results, and additional photo see page 3. (US Army Photo by Jim Canfield)**



**HOME VISITOR**



# ACTION L-I-N-E

The Commander's Action Line is available to help with problems or answer questions. Anyone (troops, DA civilians, families) with a Presidio-related problem that CANNOT BE SOLVED THROUGH THE CHAIN OF COMMAND can telephone, or write in, and get a reply.

**Q. Shouldn't there be a one-way sign by Building 1183? Now Cook Street runs one-way and Lundeen Street runs the other way, so we've often almost had a collision near Building 1188. Also, the sign by the back side of Building 1188 that is on a post is practically unreadable because it's so old and rusty. Could we get that one replaced?**

Marjorie Johnson

**A. You're right, we are aware of the problem and we have submitted a work order to replace the sign at the intersection and on the building.**

**SSG Gary Moulton, Traffic Section NCOIC, PMO**

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
Public Affairs Office  
Headquarters, Presidio of  
San Francisco, CA 94129

# TROOP TALK

**HQ Co, USAG (SSgt KELLY)** - The Company Commander and members of the unit extend a hearty welcome to the new **First Sergeant Jimmy Dalton** and wish a fond farewell to departing **First Sergeant John Golden**. The new "Top Shirt" is arriving from the Sergeant Major Academy, Ft. Bliss, Tx. **1st Sgt. Golden** is being assigned to the United States Support Activity, Tehran, Iran. The STAR PRESIDIAN wishes them both the best of luck on their new assignments.

The following have been promoted to Sp4: **Edward Harland, Jeannetta Jackson, Donald Klypchak, Angelia Rice, Tony Vanklaveren and Thomas Weatherford.**

Men and women of the unit had no trouble lifting their 16 oz. T-Bone Steaks as they enjoyed another successful Specialty Night in the unit's Dining Facility, Wednesday evening.

**170th MP Co (Sgt TOLLEY)** - Members of the 170th just returned from Camp Parks where they successfully completed the unit's pre-ARTEP (Army Readiness Training Evaluation Program). **Sp5 Richard Vadeboncour** re-enlisted for four years.

**Pvt John M. Thompson, III**, recently joined the unit from AIT.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn(PFC REYES)** - Now that the Annual IG is successfully over, the unit wishes to extend a hearty 'Thank You' to all of the line units who assisted them.

The unit wishes **Sp5 Debbie Delzer** and **Capt. John Spearman** well as they depart the unit. The unit also welcomed **SSgt Carl Dickerson** as a new member.

Three Presidio representatives recently participated in a seminar held at Los Medanos College, Pittsburg, CA, to put together a program to train California police officers. The three, **Maj. Joseph Koonin**, Deputy PMO, 6th Army, **SFC W.A. Small**, Commander of the 87th Explosive Ordnance Detachment, and **Sp5 D.W. Drehs**, also of the 87th EOD, helped in planning a course on Arson and Bomb Investigation. The course will be taught at Los Medanos and other community colleges throughout California (6TH ARMY)



**Last Friday's AUSA meeting at PSF provided an opportunity for the Presidio's Soldier of the Year for 1977, SP4 Lowell E. Beal, to meet the Under Secretary of the Army, Dr. Walter B. LaBerge. The AUSA presented SP4 Beal, Promotion Clerk, HQ Co., Garrison, with a three-year membership. Dr. LaBerge addressed the AUSA during his visit to Headquarters Sixth U.S. Army. (US ARMY PHOTO)**

## Ramblin' Sam



**Capt. Charles Brent, Asst. SGS-** "Obviously women are going to be working in specialties that women have not traditionally worked in before. I personally have no reason to believe the change will precipitate negative effects, and of course we can only wait and see what the positive effects will be. If this office was comprised of more than twice the women we already have, the only impact would be there would be more women than men. That would be the only effect which could be counted on with any degree of certainty."

**In the next five years the number of enlisted women in the Armed Forces is slated to almost double to about 200,000, according to the Department of Defense. By 1983, 11 percent of all service members will be women. What do you think the effect of this change will be? How would it effect your work section if there were twice as many women?**

**Sgt. Phillip Scott, PAC Finance and Leave Clerk-** "It shouldn't effect me whatsoever. I would still work and function in my job. I wouldn't even mind if I was sent into combat in my original MOS (tank mechanic) because some woman was holding my job back in the States. I just spent five years in Germany, the last year being in a support unit, and the women there pulled the same type duty we did, such as going out into the field and pulling guard. Just being a soldier."



**SGM Joseph L. Norman Jr., 6th Army Chaplains Office-** "I really think it's an excellent idea that the Army is recruiting more women. This will relieve more men from non-combat related jobs so that they can serve in combat related MOS's."



**Sp4 Karen Martin, Photo Lab-** "I don't think it will make that much of a difference. It would just mean an increase in employee strength. The more people the better, it shouldn't matter what their sex is."



**Sp4 Ken Frank, PAC-** "I would think that there wouldn't be that much of a change. The opportunities that the Army has to offer will make Army life more suitable, and job and career opportunities will be greater for the women in the Army."



**Sp4 Marcia Griggs, FAO-** "It would help the work load greatly and that's about it. There's a quota in every MOS and once that is filled with the required number of women and men, they won't take any more."

**ODNAC Sez if I WERE A thief I WOULD HAVE SELECTED YOUR PROPERTY BECAUSE.....**

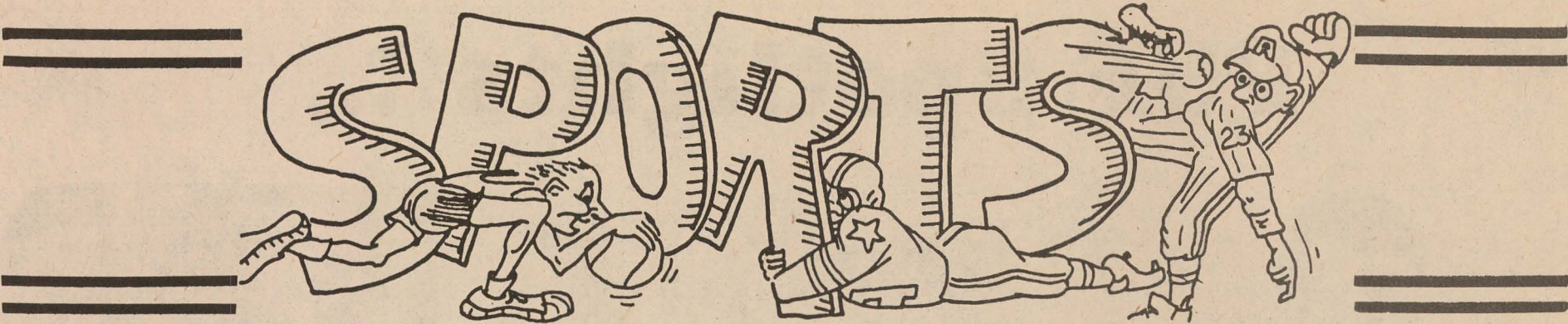


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# USAG rips LAMC in big game

Close only counts in horseshoes. How well Letterman's Basketball Team knows that.

They came close to knocking off odds-on favorite Garrison in the first championship game of the post tournament last week. They came close to forcing the tourney into the if necessary game. They came close to doing what nobody except possibly themselves even considered possible.

But as the old saying goes, close only counts in horseshoes. Close isn't good enough—especially against the powerhouse that garrison was this year.

LAMC's hopes ran high in that final game. They commanded a four-point 30-26 lead at halftime. They had also managed to hold Harvey Boddy down to only eight points during the first half—no small feat in itself.

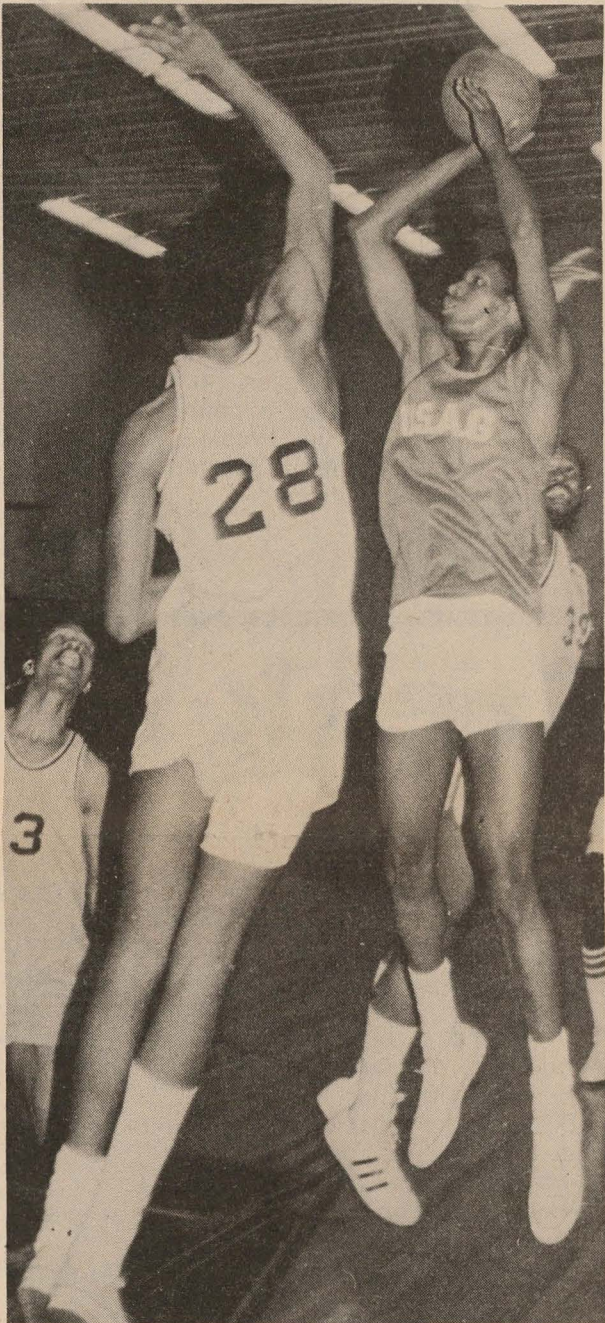
But as they have done all year, Garrison thundered back in the second half, playing come-from-behind basketball behind another 16 points by Boddy to slip by the Medics by one point in a 62-61 victory for the 1978 Presidio Basketball Championship.

Letterman was forced to battle their way into the championship game the hard way in the double elimination tournament following an opening round loss to 6th Army—ironically by an almost identical score as their final loss—that one, 62-60.

Their first victory in the playoffs came at the expense of AFFEES in a low scoring 42-29 affair. In a return battle with 6th Army that saw less scoring than many junior high school games, the Medics eeked out a 33-30 win earning a shot at Garrison.

Garrison opened the tournament much as most basketball fans had expected, routing AFFEES to the tune of 77-64 in a game that saw four Garrison players finish in the double figures for the evening.

They took on 6th Army in their unclosed encounter of the second kind sending the Headquarters Folk back to their drawing boards licking the wounds of a 71-58 pasting.



Jacob Wilson goes up and over Albert Rhoderman with a jump shot for two points during championship action between the Medics from LAMC #1 and Garrison. (US Army Photo by Jim Canfield)

## Tourney recount

### LETTERMAN (4 games)

| NAME      | FG | FT | TP |
|-----------|----|----|----|
| Thomas    | 16 | 5  | 37 |
| Barber    | 20 | 0  | 40 |
| West      | 0  | 2  | 2  |
| Byron     | 14 | 5  | 33 |
| Rhoderman | 24 | 3  | 51 |
| Sanders   | 17 | 7  | 41 |
| Britton   | 8  | 1  | 17 |
| Hearring  | 35 | 5  | 75 |
| Cavalier  | 3  | 0  | 6  |

### GARRISON (3 games)

|          |    |   |    |
|----------|----|---|----|
| Johnson  | 2  | 0 | 4  |
| Acott, D | 1  | 0 | 2  |
| Gagnon   | 12 | 2 | 26 |
| Casper   | 4  | 0 | 8  |
| Boddy    | 30 | 9 | 69 |
| Murphey  | 4  | 2 | 10 |
| Lewis    | 6  | 2 | 14 |
| McClure  | 3  | 2 | 8  |
| Wilson   | 15 | 5 | 35 |
| Scott, J | 4  | 0 | 8  |
| Jackson  | 4  | 2 | 10 |
| Tonevich | 8  | 0 | 16 |

## Strikers lose first game

The Presidio Strikers Soccer Team lost their first game this season nine to four to a powerful South San Francisco Tigers Team. The loss now makes their record eight wins and one loss. The game was played at South San Francisco High School, and a great many spectators made the journey to watch the Strikers play.

It was a tough contest throughout the entire game. However, the Tigers scored the first goal of the game and from then on it seemed to be an uphill battle. The Strikers displayed good ball control but just couldn't get the ball through the goal enough. John Stankewicz kicked the first goal for the Strikers in the first half.

During the second half, it looked as though the Strikers were going to subdue the Tigers with Rocky Wicks kicking two goals and Greg Keller scoring one. However, the Tigers came back strong, scoring five goals in the second half.

Executing excellent team work were Tim Cason, Andy Leon and John Hagemeister, while Dawson Rorick, Tim Serton, Michael Stojic and Jody Cason displayed super ball control during the entire game.

This Saturday the Strikers look to get back on the winning trail as they play host to the Vikings Cosmos. The game will be played at eleven o'clock at Paul Goode Field.

# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| RTEOH  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ONNLY  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DEORE  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BEASU  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| KILNCE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



Wouldn't leave home without it.



Solution to last week's: FETISH, DEVOUR, MAPLE, FALTER, MARKET

ANSWER: REVEILLE

Solution in next week's SP

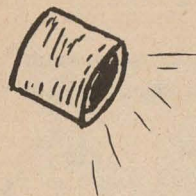
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## Trout plants

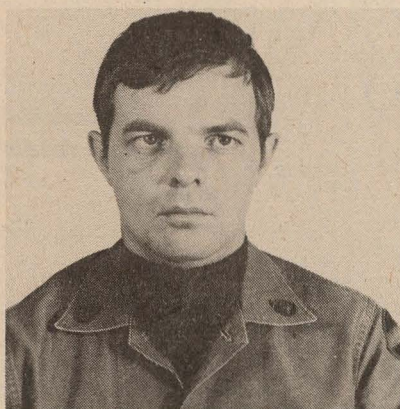
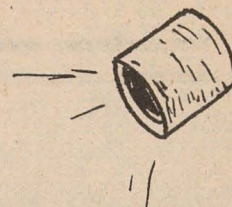
If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County—Lake Chabot, Shadow Cliff Lake, Arroyo del Valle Reservoir
- Contra Costa County—San Pablo Reservoir
- Lake County—Upper Blue Lake
- Marin County—Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir, Stafford Reservoir
- Napa County—Hennessey Reservoir
- Santa Clara County—Lexington Reservoir, Stevens Creek Reservoir
- San Luis Obispo County—Lopez Reservoir, Atascadero Lake, Laguna Lake





# PSF Spotlights ...



**SSgt LARRY A. DARKOW** - Platoon Sergeant - 170th MP Company, 504th MP Battalion

When not looking after the professional and personal welfare of one female and thirty-two male soldiers in the 170th's 2nd platoon, this Bronze Star winner from Minneapolis, Minn. likes to keep his hands busy performing one of his favorite hobbies, magic! Larry performs for the troops but does most of his shows at kids' birthday parties and/or Halloween.

He joined the Army in 1969, and served a tour in Vietnam. He credits **CSM James Hodges**, Post Sgt. Maj. (who was also his 1st Sgt. in Vietnam), for much of his success in the military. Others who have influenced his career are **2nd Lt. Manuel Martinez** and **1st Sgt. Leo Wafford**, both of the 170th MP Co. In his off-duty hours, besides practicing magic, the young NCO is pursuing a BA degree through correspondence courses.



Recently the 170th MP CO invaded the 504th Bn. area with the mission of improving the appearance of the area and troop billets and thereby improving troop morale. Here, members of the company snoop down, in full combat gear, on the concrete block which served as a cannon mount in the early days of the Presidio. The 170th raiders seized, claimed, painted and raised their colors on the "rock".

U.S. Army photo



**Sergeant First Class Martin B. Gonsales**, right, receives a plaque from **Lieutenant General Edward M. Flanagan, Jr.**, Commanding General, Sixth US Army, naming him as US Army Forces Command Reserve Career Counselor of the Year for 1977, in ceremonies held February 17, 1978, at Sixth Army headquarters. SFC Gonsales is a drill sergeant and retention NCO with the 91st Division (Training), headquartered at Ft. Baker, CA, and is assigned to the First Battalion, 362d Regiment, 2d Brigade, located at Hamilton Air Force Base. He resides in Pittsburg, CA, where he is a bridge painter in civilian life. (US ARMY PHOTO by William Malkiel)

## ... News Break ...

### Tap dance class

A beginning tap dancing class for dependent children, starts at the Presidio Music Center on Thursday, March 2 at 5 p.m. The class for six to eight year olds will meet once a week and the charge is \$16.00 for the eight-week session. Regular tap shoes are not necessary for the first classes, but registrants should have leather sole shoes.

For registration, visit the Music Center, basement of the Recreation Center (Bldg 135), Monday through Thursday, 6-10 p.m., or Sunday from 1-5 p.m.

### Legal Assistance program

The Legal Assistance Program can save you dollars and sleepless nights if you know when to use it. Free legal advice and counseling is available to you and your dependents by professional military and civilian lawyers. Problem areas normally handled by legal assistance include wills, powers of attorney, divorce, home buying/renting, automobiles, taxation, etc.

You can get legal help at most Army installations. Discussions between you and a lawyer are confidential and cannot be disclosed without your consent.

### Wildflower classes

The spring wildflower classes in plant identification and botanical techniques with Ida Geary, author of "The Leaf Book," start Tuesday, April 4, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Classes are held at the Fort Point Promenade Classroom, Bldg. #672 on the beach in the Presidio, near Crissy Field (Muni bus #28 to Mason and Livingston).

The classes include plant walks on Tuesdays, followed by workshops in plant printing, plant pressing, and marine algae pressing, on Wednesdays or Thursdays, depending on the choice of the student. On Fridays special classes in wetlands plants and birds are held for the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

Enrollment in the nine-week course is at the classroom. The classes are sponsored by the San Francisco Community College and are free. For information call 885-0660, or Fort Point National Historic Site at 556-1693.

### Reenlistment news

There is good news for many first term soldiers reenlisting in 1978, according to a reenlistment policy announced by DA.

A test program will allow first term soldiers stationed in CONUS to reenlist for another CONUS station, beginning January 1. The program may be expanded to more MOS's and all first term soldiers if the test is successful.

Soldiers must meet the following requirements to qualify for the options:

- Have a SSN ending in 1, 3, 5, 7, or 9.
- Have a position open at the station of choice, by grade and MOS.
- Must not already possess assignment instructions.

Unit reassignment or change in grade or MOS will void station guarantee and subject soldiers to assignment to fill DA's needs.

Your career counselor has more information on the new option.

### Exercise program

The Central YMCA is offering an exercise program to correct weakness, stiffness and reduce tension to key posture muscles of the back. The program will begin Monday, March 13, 6 to 7 p.m. at Fort Mason Foundation, Building 312. For further information call 885-0460.

### LAMC Women's Club

The Letterman Women's Club is sponsoring a fashion show presented by "FASHIONS ON THE GO". Members of the club will be modelling a wide variety of designer clothes and accessories, all of which will be for sale after the show at discount prices. The fashion show will be held at the Presidio Officers' Club.

Social hour starts at 11 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:45 a.m. Hostesses will be from the Departments of Psychiatry and Medicine.

Reservations are requested by noon, Tuesday, March 7. In San Francisco call Ginny Amos (561-2595), and in Marin call either Randy Smith (472-2568), or Judy Burnam (479-7190).

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday**, February 24, Another Man, Another Chance (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, February 25, Zebra in the Kitchen (G), 2 p.m.

**Saturday**, February 25, Wizards (PG), 7 p.m.

**Sunday**, February 26, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, February 27, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, February 28, Shock Waves (PG), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, March 1, I Wonder Who's Killing Her Now? (PG), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, March 2, Smokey and the Bandit (PG), 7 p.m.

**FIRST LOVE (R)** A romantic college boy meets a glamorous poor little rich girl who puts him under her spell. The film follows them from courtship through their intense love affair.

### STARSHIP INVASIONS

(PG) Flying saucers are discovered hovering over Earth searching for a new home for evil refugees. Friendly forces of the Intergalactic League have established an outpost under the ocean. They will protect Earth with the help of UFO expert Professor Duncan (Robert Vaughn). Some material may not be suitable for children.

Susan Keene as the Nightingale of Samarkand and Sandi V. Weldon as Princess Winnifred, the Woebegone, will appear in the Presidio Players Production of "ONCE UPON A MATTRESS," at the Presidio Playhouse. The funny lighthearted musical comedy, directed by Major Robert Brock, opens Friday, March 10 and will play for four weekends, through April 2.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday**, February 24, The Town That Dreaded Sundown (R), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, February 27, Heroes (PG), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, February 28, Another Man, Another Chance (PG), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, March 1, First Love (R), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, March 2, Wizards (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

**Friday**, February 24, Wizards (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, February 25, Heroes (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, February 27, Another Man, Another Chance (PG), 7 p.m.

**Friday**, March 3, Cannonball (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, March 4, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

### HEROES (PG)

Henry Winkler moves away from his TV characterization in this touching and hilarious story about a Vietnam veteran who goes through wild experiences before he finally gets re-oriented. He meets Sally Field at a bus stop and the experiences they have on the journey from New York to California bring them close. Some material may not be suitable for children.





# Housing in style

by Linda Spillane

Many questions run through the mind of a soldier PCSing to a new Post: "Will I like it here? How will my family adjust to the move? Where will we stay?"

The last question, "where will we stay?", can pose one of the family's biggest problems. On the Presidio, one solution is the guest house, Scott Hall.

Located on Ft. Scott, the guest house provides short term occupancy for single military personnel and those with families who are arriving at or departing from the Presidio. Other people eligible to use the guest house are those who come to Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC) for treatment. Last on the priority list are transient personnel who can stay in the guest house on a space available basis. Those personnel include families who are in or out processing.

The Ft. Scott guest house can be a great money saver, too. Not only are rates comparatively lower there than at civilian hotels and motels, but kitchen units are also available at a nominal fee (\$1.25 per day).

Since occupancy is on a Space 'A' basis, it is a good idea to make reservations two weeks in advance for PCSers. The maximum time anyone can stay at the guest house is 30 days. After 30 days, occupancy depends on both the priority category they fall into (medical and PCS, etc.) and if there is any space available.

To make staying at the Scott Hall guest house a bit more pleasurable, the facility has recently been completely renovated.

For starters, new heaters replaced the old heating system, and the floor was torn up and completely redone. This was necessary because water spilling from leaky old radiators had rotted out the

floor there over the years. Once the floors were completed, brand new carpet was laid throughout the guest house.

In addition to those changes, walls were replastered and repainted, and new hardware was placed in the refurbished bathrooms. Modern lighting fixtures were installed, and all the furniture was refinished with in-house help.

For more information about the guest house contact manager Steve Harkins there at ext. 3266.

photo by Sp4 Dan Jackson



Officiating at the ribbon cutting ceremony is Col. John D. Hamilton, Post Commander. Assisting him were Manager Steve Harkins and Secretary to the Building Officer Pat Johnson.

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### A 'WAC' is still a 'WAC'

## Term change on the way

by Ted Elisee

A "WAC" is still a "WAC". According to a Women's Army Corps official, the term remains acceptable for use because the Corps is still in existence. That situation may change in the near future, however.

The Women's Army Corps was established in 1943, when a woman's role in the Army was limited to certain job areas. Gradual changes in

that role have resulted in the opening up of all but 16 combat-related MOSs to women today.

Recently, according to Army Times, Defense Secretary Harold Brown has requested to abolish the positions of Director and Deputy Director of the WAC. Under recent authority given the executive branch, Congress has until March 9 to reject Sec-

retary Brown's decision before it goes into effect. Brown has also requested that Congress abolish the present structure of the Women's Army Corps.

Even if the changes do go through and the Corps is abolished, the term will take years to be phased out of existence. One WAC official suggested that new terms such as "enlisted women, service women, women officers or women soldiers" be used.

Other changes for women in the Army taking place this year include the extension of the six-year military service obligation and common basic training for men and women.

The 1978 Department of Defense Appropriation Act, Public Law 95-79, established a six-year military service obligation for women. Male enlistees have had the six-year obligation for a number of years.

The six-year obligation will affect any women enlisting in the military on or after February 1, 1978. Upon completing their enlistment contract, the women will become members of the individual Ready Reserve (IRR) until completion of the six-year obligation. This obligates them to some non-active duty military service for the remainder of the obligation.

Common basic training for men and women will begin in September at Ft. McClellan AL., and in mid-October at Ft. Jackson, S.C., according to TRADOC. This announcement followed completion and analysis of the Basic Initial Entry Test (BIET).

The testing, which took place at Ft. Jackson, S.C., was conducted to fulfill the need for improved female basic training. The course of instruction was essentially the same as that male trainees have been receiving for years.

Common basic training will center on basic military subjects and skills as well as physical conditioning, marksmanship and individual tactics.

DA officials feel that common basic training will not only help female soldiers prepare for duties in units to which they are assigned, but also place them in a better position for job advancement and promotions.

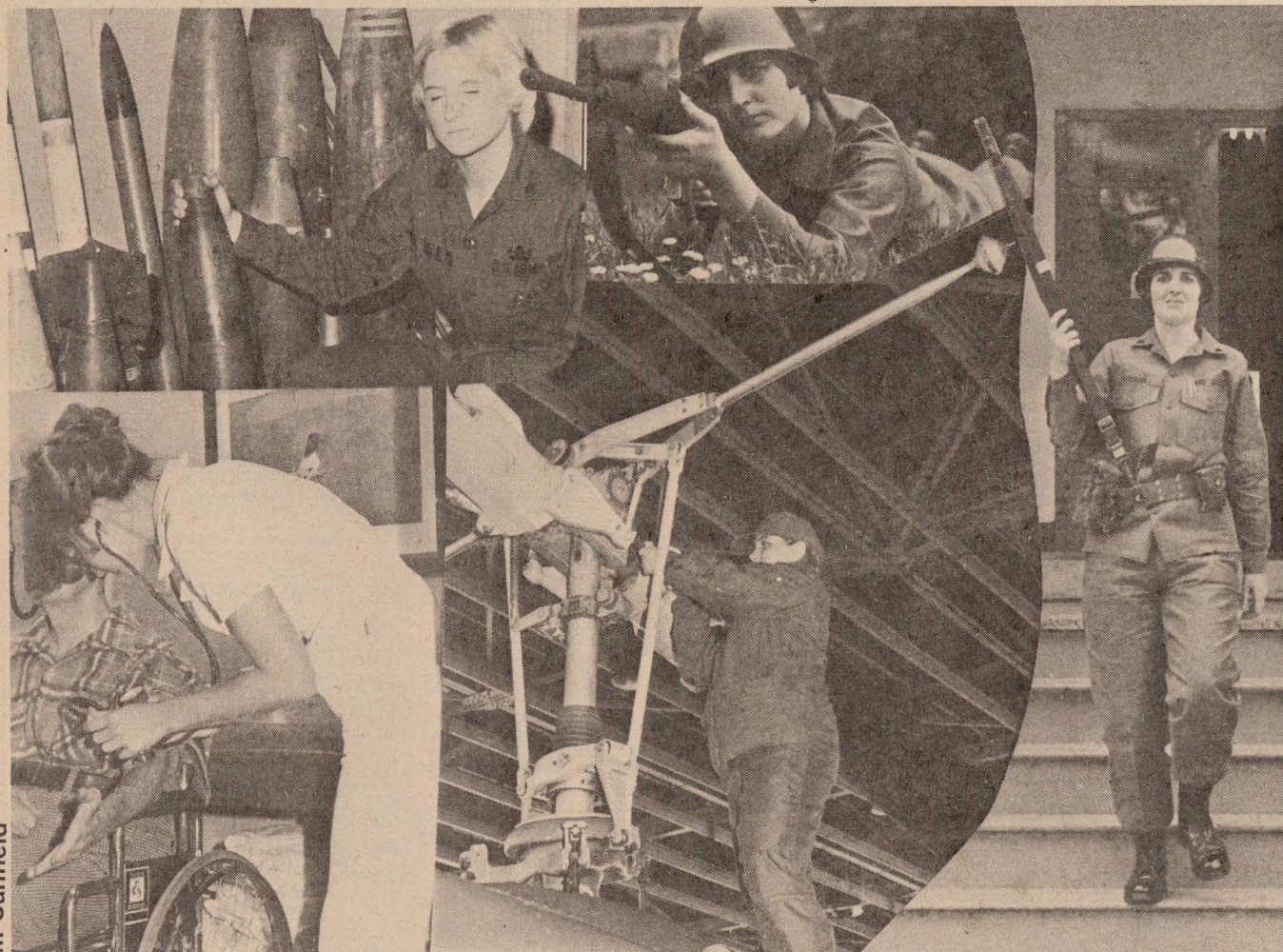


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WOMEN'S ARMY CORPS

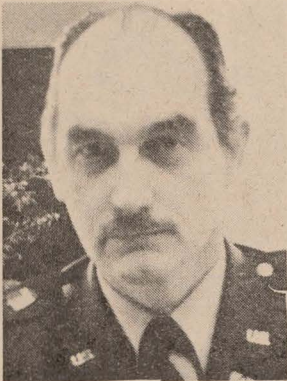


# Ramblin' Sam



What would you do if you were Post Commander for a day?

Lt. Gail Lockhart, California National Guard Headquarters Personnel Officer—"I would get involved with community relations. I would let the civilian community know what we were doing and vice versa. It's a two-way street."



CW3 Cleveland Kelley, SIDPERS Chief—"One of the things I've always been involved with is community relations, dealing with the public. I would promote a better image of the military to the public. I would have more contact with and knowledge of the civilian community."



Mr. Don Smith, Production Supervisor Photo Facility—"I would fire everybody and start over. I would get involved with the Civilian Personnel Office (CPO). I would enforce discipline with civilian employees and military personnel."

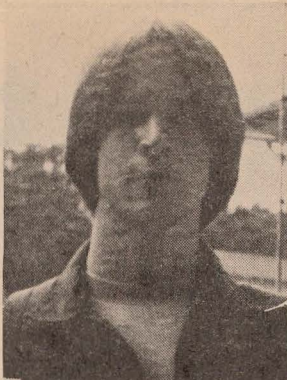
Cpl. Clarence Gilbert, Jr., 402nd MP Co.—"First of all I would get the parking situation taken care of. I'd have better communication between units on Post. I would try to establish a better rapport between the MPs and the civilians and other military personnel."



Sp4 Alex Mejorado, 402nd MP Co.—"I would give everyone the day off, then tell them I didn't want to see them for a week, because there is too much work and not enough time off."

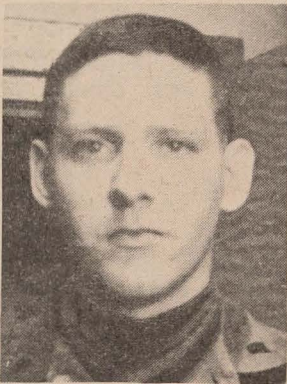


Mrs. Peggy Neeley, wife of MSgt Ray Neeley, Readiness Region IX—"I would have an orientation day for everyone on Post. At the orientation, I'd give an explanation of the city, and the history and mission of the Presidio, then have an open forum where opinions, gripes, questions and concerns can be voiced. The basic thing I would want known is that people would understand their Post and know what the Post can do for them."

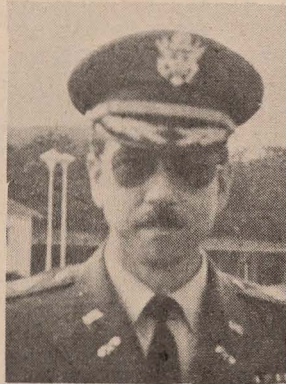


James A. Swenson, son of LTC James A. Swenson Budget Division OAB—"I'd have the trash on Post cleaned up. I'd order a teen club built because there's no place for teens to go. This way the teens wouldn't have to go downtown to have a good time."

Sp4 James Walker, CBR NCO 402nd MP Co.—"I'd have uniform violations corrected ASAP! I would enforce haircut policies and military discipline in all ranks."



Major Ralph Graves, California National Guard Asst. IG—"I think one of the things the post lacks is communication with lower enlisted personnel. I would have an open door policy to help with any problems they may have."



# ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. I have a tree next to my quarters which has raised the sidewalk off the ground and is beginning to affect my porch. Since I read that the installation has a forest management program, I'd like something done about this tree which is now a safety hazard.

Major Earl Purdue

A. The hazardous branches of your tree have been removed by our contractors. Your porch lattice work will now be repaired by DFE personnel who are also going to reroute the sidewalk around the tree.

Mr. Rudolph E. Choun, Supervisory Management Agronomist, DFE

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: L-I-N-E; or send them on a card addressed to:

Commander's Action Line  
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# Troop Talk

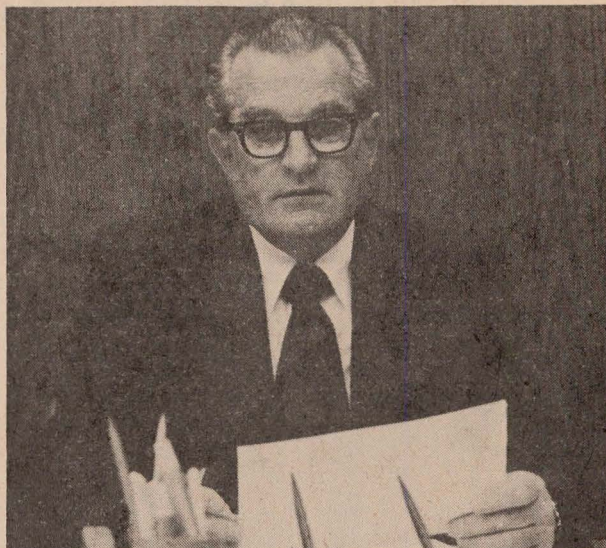
HHD, 504th MP Bn (PFC REYES) - The men and women of the 504th MP Battalion would like to extend a belated HAPPY BIRTHDAY to their commander, Lt.Col. Eugene Siegel.

Sgt. Adolf Benajan, newly assigned to HHD, is slated to be the new Battalion Commo Chief. Welcome aboard!

A well-deserved thank you is extended to SSgt. Bernard Cannon for organizing the Battalion's Retirement Luncheon for MSG George Kitrinis.

A hearty thank you to Chaplain (Capt.) Roland Humphrey and members of the Post Chaplain's Office for organizing a mini-ski trip to South Lake Tahoe for some 22 members of the battalion. A good time was had by all!

Sgt. & Mrs. Joseph Provencio are the proud parents of a six-pound son. He was born Monday, February 27, at 3 a.m. This is their second child. Congratulations.



Mr. Francis (Frank) G. Murphy, deputy director of Reserve Components Support here, was recently presented the Meritorious Civilian Service Award. The award is the highest presented to a civilian employee by the Department of the Army for exceptional service other than valor. The award cited Murphy for have "...continuously demonstrated the highest degree of supervisory and managerial competence..."

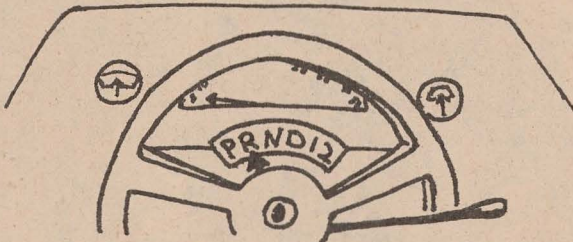
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by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| NEFD OF | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| COTEIN  | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| UEVROD  | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| NWUDO   | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



By Deborah Miller

It goes backward to begin.



Solution to last week's: OTHER, NYLON, ERODE, ABUSE, NICKEL

ANSWER: HOUSEKEY

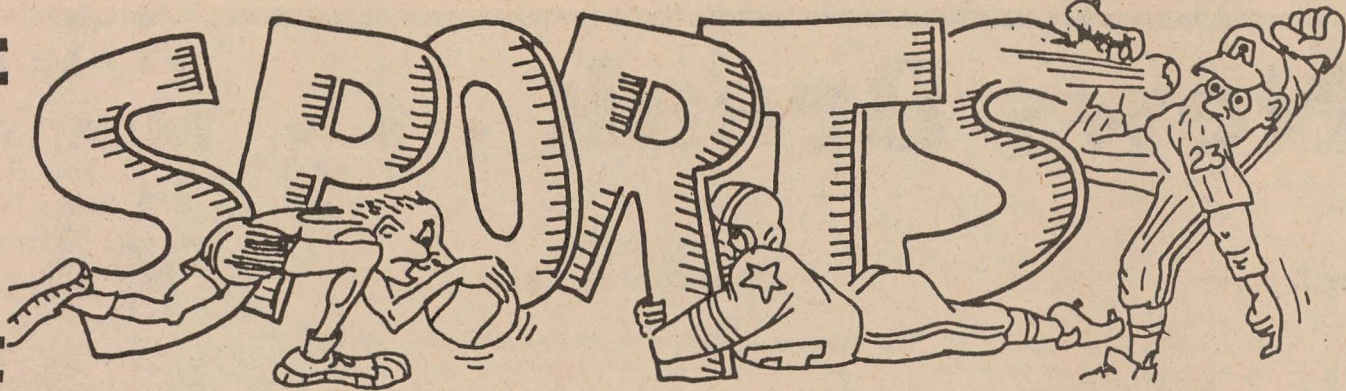
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## Off the field

by ron renouf

Talked to a number of basketball players the other day who were playing with the Garrison Team during the recent intramural season.

They were a bit disgruntled to say the least—one might even say hostile one might—over the composition of the post team headed for the FORSCOM Tourney next week.

They mentioned that not one member of the Garrison team had been selected for the post team, and "...we went 17-0 in the league and 22-1 overall."

They also issued a challenge to the post team for the best out of three series and promised to do a number of unmentionable things to the post squad should they accept.

Called the post team coach, **Jim Scott**, I did. Said, "Hey Jim, good buddy, what's happening with that post team?" I went on to mention that I had heard a number of complaints (that was the more polite way of saying it) over the makeup of the team.

Jim told me, first of all, that through the weekly bulletin and the STAR PRESIDIAN, invitations to try out for the team had run for several weeks. Also from the roster he gave me, it was evident that three members of the Garrison team were in fact on the post team if you include player/coach Scott.

Jim also indicated that a number of others had turned out at one time or another but later quit. "Two in particular from the Garrison Team could have added 50 points a game to the scoring. One just lost interest—he later indicated that he was having some personal problems that would interfere with practice, and the other walked off the floor in the middle of a game and quit. He didn't leave me much of a choice. I dumped him."

Jim went on to indicate that he didn't think some of the people who originally put in an appearance and then turned into no-shows wanted to or were able to cope with the training schedule. "When they were in the intramural season," Scott recalled, "they really didn't have to do much in practice. Things are different now. The competition is going to be stiffer at FORSCOM. We have to be better, stronger and in top physical condition. Some of them just didn't want to pay the price."

As for the challenge, gentlemen. Scott says to call him and let him know what night you want to play. He'll get the gym and officials. There's one little catch though. The losers pay the officials' regulation rates.

Sorry fellows. I don't really think you have a gripe. Sounds like someone's picking up their ball and bat and going home.

## Basketball Championship

The Post men's and women's basketball teams will be at Fort Carson, CO, to compete in the Western Division of the FORSCOM Championships next week.

The men's team, coached by Jim Scott, should be a strong entry. Making up the squad are **Dan Jackson, Barry McClure, Charles Hamilton, Mark McManus, Carl Bryant, Gary Hildreth, Fred Gibson, Dwayne Gibson, and Stan Perry**, along with player coach **Scott**.

The women's team will be led in height by **Carolyn Wright, 6'**, and **Camille Barone, 5'11"**. Others on this year's post team are **Kathy Chadbourne, Janet Brown, Gloria Melendez, and Jean Ross**. The team is being coached by **Ray Thomas**.

## A hotly contested match

The Presidio Strikers failed to get back on the winning trail this week as they lost their second straight game to the Vikings Cosmos, (5-1). This makes the Strikers record eight wins and two losses.

The game was a hotly contested match with the score no indication of the type of game that was played. It was a close contest until midway in the second half. At that time the Cosmos scored a



**Striker Tim Sexton** tries diligently to regain control of the ball from his Cosmos opponent.



**Maintaining team spirit** Striker members accept defeat with hopes of winning their next game.

couple of quick goals and the Strikers couldn't catch up. There were many times when the game could have gone either way. Again, the Strikers exhibited good ball control, but just had trouble getting it into the goal. Contributing the offensive spark to the Strikers this week were Rocky Wicks, John Stankewicz, Greg Keller, and Tim Sexton.

The Strikers lone goal was scored by Jody Cason on a direct free kick from about 25 yards out. Exhibiting outstanding team work and spirit were John Hagemeister, Michael Stojic, Tim Cason, Andy Leon, and Dawson Rorick.

This Saturday the Strikers travel to South Sunset to take on the Shannon Rovers at 3 p.m. Hopefully, this week the Strikers will find the range to the goal and get back on the winning trail.

## Deep sea fishing

Military personnel here have an opportunity to get in on some deep sea fishing at very reasonable rates through the recreation facility at Treasure Island.

Reservations for space on the Long John Silver may be made a month in advance with salmon fishing every Saturday and Sunday except for the last Sunday of the month which is devoted to rock bottom fishing.

Cost for individual reservations is \$17.00 and payment must be made at least ten working days in advance.

Persons 16 and older must have a valid California Fishing License and anyone under 18 must be accompanied by a parent or legal guardian, no children under 12 years of age are allowed aboard the boat.

## All-Army hosts Oilers

The All-Army Basketball Team will have its hands full this week-end when they host the Marthon Oilers from Lexington, Ky.

The Oilers, perennial powerhouses in the AAU National Finals, are currently touring the West Coast. Last year they finished third with the Armed Forces Team winning the championship.

Games are scheduled for 2 p.m. Saturday and 1 p.m. Sunday at the main post gym.

## Intramural calendar

The next two sports on the intramural calendar are golf and volleyball.

Volleyball will open Monday with a clinic this afternoon at the post gym. This year's program will card two seven team leagues.

Golf is slated to tee off May 16 at the Presidio Golf Course. This will be unit vs unit. Organizations at the Presidio wishing to enter should contact the Sports Branch at the post gym not later than Monday, March 6.

## Batter up!

This year's baseball Czar, PSF Youth Baseball Commissioner Frank Castro, has put out a call for players, coaches and umpires.

Castro announced Wednesday that for the first time, the Presidio will participate in the Girls CYO (Catholic Youth Organization) softball program. Sixth, seventh and eighth grade girls are needed for this team and should contact Castro at 587-4111 after 6 p.m.

Seventh and eighth grade boys are also needed for youth baseball teams, and coaches for all programs.

Also in the organization stage is a women's softball league. The league will be open to military, dependents, and Department of Army civilians.

The women's league is tentatively scheduled to play one weekday and one weekend throughout their season; interested persons should register at the post gym between 10 a.m. and noon, March 11.

The training clinic for baseball and softball umpires will open at 9 a.m., March 11. Veteran officials and individuals interested in becoming officials should contact Frank Castro.



# News Break

## YMCA news

The Central YMCA is offering a five week gymnastic course starting Wednesday, March 22, 7 to 9 p.m. at the Central YMCA. John Fong, former San Francisco State Outstanding Gymnast, and Betty Masi, of the University of South Carolina, will instruct the course. For further information call 885-0460.

The Central YMCA is offering a ski trip to Lake Tahoe, scheduled for the March 24 to 26 weekend. A large, private cabin at South Shore will be provided, along with food and transportation. Low price—\$39.00. For more information call 885-0460.

## Post craft shop classes

Beginners Woodworking Class will begin April 7, every Friday evening, 7 - 9:30 p.m., for four weeks; a great opportunity to become familiar with basic woodworking techniques and machinery. \$5.00 fee per person.

A Beginners Photography Class will begin April 5, every Wednesday evening, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for a four week duration. \$5.00 fee per person.

Handbuilt Pottery Class will begin April 4, every Tuesday evening, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for eight weeks. \$10.00 fee per person.

Pottery Class (Wheel-thrown) will begin April 6, every Thursday evening, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for six weeks. \$7.50 fee per person.

Stained Glass Construction Class will begin April 7, every Friday evening, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for a six week duration. \$15.00 fee per person.

Quilting Class will begin April 4, every Tuesday evening, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for eight weeks. \$10.00 fee per person.

Classes in Lapidary, Jewelry and Furniture Upholstery will also be scheduled if enough people are interested. Note: Active duty military will be given priority, however, in case of space available, retired military, dependents, and Post Civilians are urged to sign-up also. Stop by the Crafts Shop, Bldg 122 or call 4497.

## Gardening Class

A class in gardening, beginning March 6, will be the start of a community garden project in downtown San Francisco.

A vacant city lot will be cleared and transformed into a vegetable and flower garden and then turned over to members of the class.

Jack Post, Marina nursery owner and landscape gardner, will instruct the 8-week class on Mondays from 9 a.m. to noon.

For registration or information contact Central YMCA, 220 Golden Gate Avenue, phone 885-0460.

## Log Cabin news

A Log Cabin spokesman announced that as of March 1, E-1's through E-4's are now eligible for membership to the NCO Club. The monthly membership fees will be \$3 per month. For the young at heart, Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights will feature live entertainment.

## San Francisco USO

Everything you wanted to know but were afraid to ask about finding a civilian job will be explained at "Career Seminar" every Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. during March at San Francisco USO, 375 O'Farrell St.

"What To Do After Your Enlistment" will be the topic March 7th. Following sessions will include "What's A Resume, An Application?" on Tuesday, March 14; "What Me Nervous - The Interview" on Tuesday, March 21; and there will be a guest speaker from the business community on Tuesday, March 28.

## Employment program

Separating within 90 days? Get a head start. Attend the Employment Program Tuesday, March 21, at 1:30 p.m. in the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216, Rm. 28. Representatives from 12 agencies will inform you about employment opportunities, financial aid for additional education or training, and your veterans' benefits. Call Ext. 3693/4030 to reserve your place now.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, March 3, Smokey and the Bandit (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 4, Captain Nemo and the Underwater City (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 4, Cannonball (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 5, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, March 6, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7, Nasty Habits (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8, The Deep (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 9, The Deep (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, March 3, The Sting (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, March 6, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 7, Shock Waves (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 8, I Wonder Who's Killing Her Now? (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 9, Smokey and the Bandit (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Monday, March 6, Smokey and the Bandit (PG), 7 p.m.

Friday, March 10, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 11, Nasty Habits (PG), 7 p.m.

### WHICH WAY IS UP?

(R) Talented Richard Pryor plays three consecutive roles in this film: Leroy Jones, a sex-starved fruit picker, father Rufus, the original 'dirty old man', and Reverend Lenox Thomas, a preacher who does more than preach to Jones' wife.

### NASTY HABITS (PG)

An outrageous comedy about a nun who wants to replace a dying abbess. Using the techniques of Watergate, she bugs the convent and keeps tapes of all conversations in her office. Viewers will have fun picking out the real-life counterparts of the characters. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### I WONDER WHO'S KILLING HER NOW?

(PG) Bob Dishy (who sometimes thinks he's Humphrey Bogart) is inspired to murder his wife, who wants a divorce, and collect the insurance money. With his plan in action, he has a change of heart but alas, too late. The mad pace to put the skids on the contract on his wife's life, which has been sub-contracted to so many evil-doers leads him to Las Vegas where he hopes he can end the uproarious question. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### COMING ATTRACTIONS

Oh, God!  
The Deep  
The Gauntlet



# Alexander:

## More benefits for junior enlisted

The Secretary of the Army stood up for his soldiers recently in an address to the Military Pay Commission. Secretary Clifford Alexander emphasized that many junior enlisted families badly need so-called military benefits that are actually taken for granted in the civilian world.

"The man or woman who has chosen to serve our country in uniform—regardless of the length of that service—is entitled to the best we can offer...The younger enlisted people are sometimes unfairly ignored in our plans. Junior enlisted travel has been a glaring example of this," the secretary said.

Calling for a "quality of life" criteria to determine soldiers' needs, Alexander cited the need for improved housing, medical care, retirement and educational opportunities.

On housing, he noted the Army currently houses none of its E-4s or below with less than two years service, only 26 percent of junior NCOs and 31 percent of senior NCOs.

Saying many enlisted and officer Army members live in substandard housing, he added, "It is not uncommon to find soldiers in cold water flats." Alexander also pointed out that others live in trailers without heat or running water, and that he knows of housing in which a soldier and four dependents live in one room.

Alexander asked the commission to consider additional funding for leased housing in civilian communities, building more government quarters and providing additional allowances within the U.S. to compensate for high housing costs in certain areas. He also suggested the Army provide soldiers money to pay for high security deposits for rented housing, easing the financial burden of relocating.

Photo by Jim Canfield



Medical problems must be resolved, emphasized the secretary. The Army must insure that its Medical Corps is large enough and that problems with the military medical insurance, CHAMPUS, be corrected.

"I need not repeat the 'horror' stories regarding the failure of CHAMPUS to take care of the needs of the soldier," stated the secretary. He called for more CHAMPUS funding for retiree medical care, dependent dental care, liberalizing authorized treatment policies, paying civilian physicians more for their services and lessening restrictions on

CHAMPUS eligibility based on distances from military hospitals.

On soldier morale, Alexander said the Army is responsible for providing a soldier with a "total environment," including recreation, athletic and educational services. Present services are being degraded and are becoming less available.

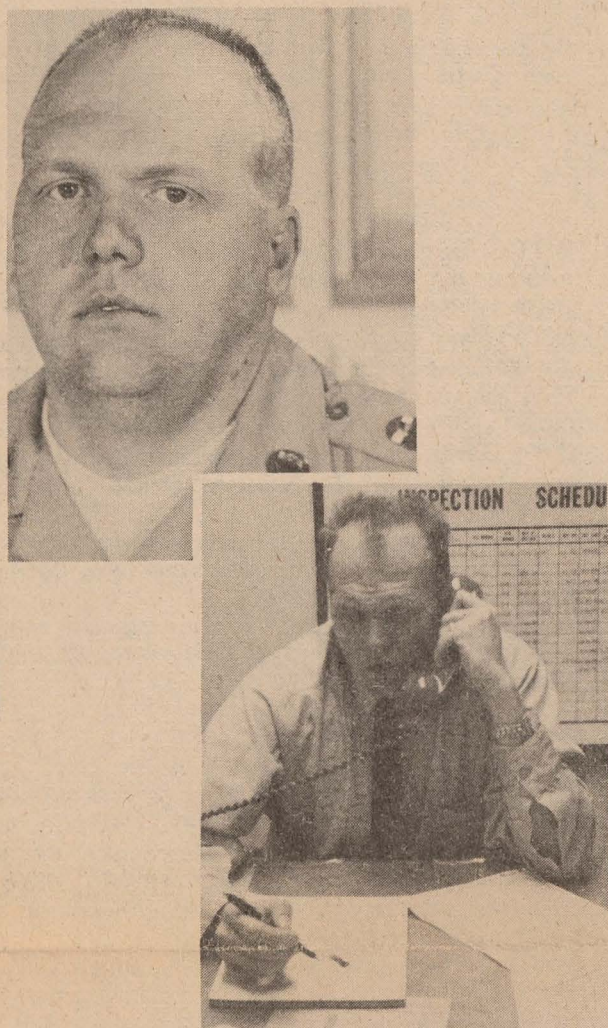
Transition training is needed for soldiers skilled in the combat arms and other tasks not found in the civilian job market, he concluded.

The commission has been asked to make its final recommendations to the President by March 15.



# Win by losing

Losing weight can be a real hassle — especially when you work behind a desk all day. SFC Ralph Hamler, Inspection NCO at the IG office here, is one who knows just how rough it is.



When SFC Hamler reported in to the Presidio last year weighing 213 pounds, he knew he had a "meaty" problem: the Army said a man of his height (5'8") should only weigh 180. Says SFC Hamler: "The command identified me as overweight, the Army wanted me to reduce — but I was the only one who could really do anything about it. So I put myself on a weight loss program in September."

Besides having to fight his appetite, he also found he had a problem with his wife: "She's a darn good cook, and at first she got upset when she cooked a big meal and I didn't eat." So, rather than go on a fast or give up certain favorite foods, he decided to just cut down his total food intake and exercise more.

The exercise ritual he got into is what he gives most of the credit to for his weight loss: "I run on my own at night after work on a 5-mile course I mapped out from my house on post. I run two or three times a week, I try to log in about 20 miles but usually only average 15 a week. But that's a lot more exercise than I get sitting around the office."

Ralph stayed firm in his conviction to lose pounds. He explains, "I think what made me lose weight was basically fear. Though I had 19 years of service, I knew the Army would not let me reenlist if I didn't slim down. The Army is not playing around when they say there are no exceptions to the policy—I believe exactly that. To get no benefits or retirement pay when I'd worked so hard all those years...well, it made me think! Besides that, it was hard for me, being in the IG office. I had to inspect other units on their weight programs, and I was overweight myself."

Ralph's determination and drive paid off. When he took his annual physical recently, he weighed in at 172—a loss of 41 lbs! He said, "I find that I have more energy, now that I have lost the extra weight. I don't get as tired because I'm not lugging it around."

His advice to those in an overweight situation is "Don't try to do it all at one time. Give yourself a realistic goal that you can accomplish. In fact, I'm not done yet. I want to get down to about 160. That's what I call a realistic goal for me now."

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## Of Max and Min

Exercising is like pulling teeth for some people. If they don't **have** to do it, chances are they won't.

However, those of us on active duty in the U.S. Army sooner or later have to face a PT (physical training) test; if you've avoided "pulling teeth", you may have a difficult time passing the test—or even walking the next day.

For the three hundred-plus soldiers of Headquarters Company, USAG, test time is fast approaching. Already, many have begun to hit the gym, the Run For Your Life course, or the PT field in preparation for the event, which is scheduled for the last week in March.

In doing so, they have joined millions of other Americans following the latest fad, physical fitness. This craze, unlike some others, is definitely a healthy one. Proper exercise strengthens the heart and lungs and can prevent or lessen a host of medical problems. A regular fitness program is also an excellent way to keep off extra pounds (see related article on this page). Obesity, regarded as a major medical problem nowadays, affects one of every five Americans; the military services too have their share of overweight personnel.

Though primarily aimed at improving health, the Army's PT program is also designed to promote endurance, strength and coordination. This accounts for the wide variety of events on the PT test. The test given at the Presidio this year will be somewhat different than last year's. It will include two events, the run, dodge and jump, and the horizontal ladder (for men), that were made possible only recently when D Company's engineers laid out a new PT field at Fort Scott. Women will also find that last year's quarter-mile run has been lengthened to a half-mile.



photo by Sp4 Jim Canfield

**PFC Linda Spillane of the Star Presidian staff doing the run, dodge, and jump on the new PT field.**

But those are not the only changes anticipated. When the test was administered last time, only 181 soldiers participated. This year, Captain Thomas Smith, Company Commander, has made it clear that only those on leave, TDY or on a profile are authorized to miss the test. Soldiers in the over-40 age group are also excused from attendance according to regulation. Those who skip the test without a valid absence are subject to disciplinary action.

The Company also intends to toughen up on those who fail the test. Those who make less than 300 points overall (out of 500), or less than 60 points (out of 100) on any of the five events will have failed the test and will be required to retake it later. Those who fail again will be put on a mandatory fitness program until they get in shape. Last year only two individuals failed to pass, but a higher failure rate may result from this year's effort because of the new events and increased emphasis on participation.

A lot of PT buffs are also planning to "max" the test, especially those who have been training with an eye toward that goal. Sixteen soldiers from USAG did it last August, and many more hope to reach the target this time with the renewed interest in fitness.

The great majority, though they seem to have no illusions about achieving a maximum score on every event, still don't intend to settle for just minimum passing scores. They appear to be proud of their health and anxious to test their bodies to the limit. This year even more than in the past, the lazy few who are afraid to do more than necessary for a minimum passing score are likely to come in for some sharp ribbing from the rest.

Scoring on the test differs by age groups, with the youngest group, the 17-25 year olds, having the hardest minimums and maximums. For women, these are 27 and 21.5 seconds in the shuttle run, 18 and 40 modified push-ups, 20 and 40 sit-ups, 27.5 and 21.5 seconds in the run, dodge, jump, and times of 4:25 and 3:16 in the half-mile. For men, minimums and maximums for the youngest age groups are, respectively, 26 and 51 push-ups, 33 and 80 horizontal ladder rungs, 28 and 48 sit-ups, 24.5 and 20.5 seconds in the run, dodge, jump, and times of 8:20 and 6:02 in the mile run. Scores for the 26-35 and the 36-40 age groups are progressively "easier" to reach. Scores for women are the same regardless of age.

The Army PT test is not the Olympics: no gold, silver or bronze medals will be passed out. But there is a similarity in one sense; here, too, men and women can say at the finish line "I gave all I had to give, and I'm proud of it."

### Weight tables for Army personnel (regardless of age)

To give you an idea of whether or not your extra flab could cost you your job, here is a table of where you should stand for your height. The Department of the Army (DA) developed this weight table, which leaves a fair amount of leeway between the minimum and maximum number of pounds allotted for each member of the Army.

| MEN       |            | WOMEN     |
|-----------|------------|-----------|
| Weight    | Height     | Weight    |
| 166 - 250 | - 6' 8" -  |           |
| 159 - 244 | - 6' 7" -  |           |
| 153 - 238 | - 6' 6" -  |           |
| 151 - 232 | - 6' 5" -  |           |
| 147 - 226 | - 6' 4" -  |           |
| 143 - 220 | - 6' 3" -  |           |
| 139 - 214 | - 6' 2" -  |           |
| 135 - 208 | - 6' 1" -  |           |
| 131 - 203 | - 6' -     | 125 - 175 |
| 127 - 197 | - 5' 11" - | 122 - 170 |
| 123 - 192 | - 5' 10" - | 118 - 165 |
| 119 - 186 | - 5' 9" -  | 115 - 160 |
| 115 - 181 | - 5' 8" -  | 112 - 156 |
| 111 - 176 | - 5' 7" -  | 109 - 151 |
| 107 - 170 | - 5' 6" -  | 106 - 147 |
| 106 - 165 | - 5' 5" -  | 104 - 142 |
| 105 - 160 | - 5' 4" -  | 102 - 138 |
| 104 - 155 | - 5' 3" -  | 100 - 134 |
| 103 - 150 | - 5' 2" -  | 98 - 130  |
| 102 - 146 | - 5' 1" -  | 96 - 125  |
| 100 - 141 | - 5' -     | 94 - 121  |
|           | - 4' 11" - | 92 - 117  |
|           | - 4' 10" - | 90 - 113  |

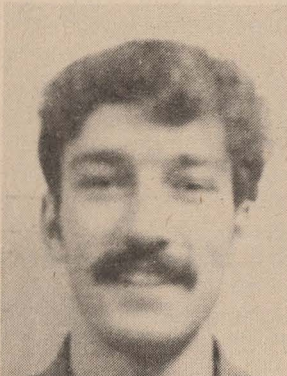
(without shoes or clothing)



# Ramblin' Sam



What do you think of living conditions in family quarters or the barracks?



PFC Thomas Tonevich, Supply Clerk, USAG—"The barracks conditions are bad. We need visitation rights with females in the barracks. They have these rights on other posts. Why don't we have them on the Presidio?"



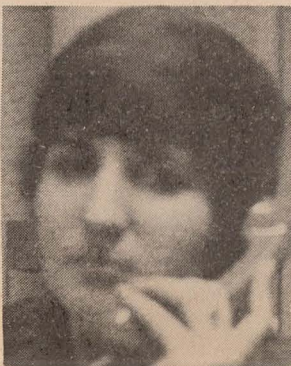
Mrs. Louise Ridinger, Supply Clerk, Logistical Control Activity, wife of SFC Donald A. Ridinger, MISO—"I like government quarters. The scenery of Novato makes living pleasant for my family. I do have one problem though. I have two teenagers. We could use another bathroom, because of all the time we spend in there."



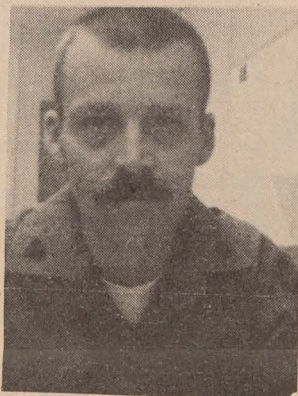
Sp5 Regina Johnson, Admin Specialist, Staff Medical Activity—"I don't like living in the barracks. I don't feel that I should have to live in the barracks. Community living is hard. I feel that an E-5 should be able to have better living standards than the barracks provide."



PFC Jeff Frese, Vehicle Registration Clerk, 402nd M.P. Co.—"I don't like living in the barracks. I don't like the crowded conditions. We have four people to a room. We only have two dressers for four people and no desks either. The MP shifts make it difficult for us to sleep, too. While some of us are asleep in our room, others are awake because we work different shifts."



Sp4 Linda Butehorn, Assistant Training NCO, USAG—"I don't like the barracks. There is a lack of privacy and a lack of security. We are forced to live in close living conditions. Also, you don't have the choice of who you want to live with."



Sp5 Lonnie Blodgett, Travel Clerk, Welcome Center—"It's fine. It sure beats the high cost of rent. I have a lot of children; government quarters not only save me money, they keep me in the Army."

# SNAFU

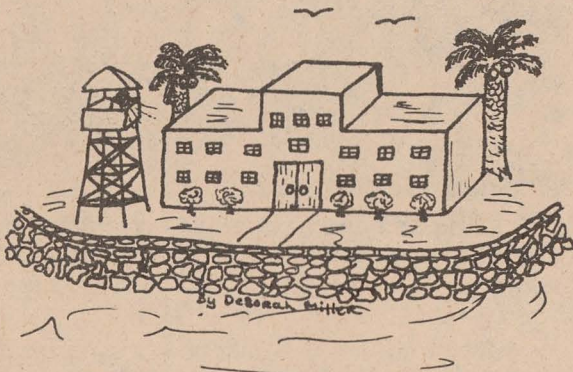
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| UREQY  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LNADD  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| ANTEK  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| INPOOT |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TALIRU |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



Free room and board—and on the seashore, too!



Solution in next week's SP

Solution to last week's: CRADLE, OFFEND, NOTICE, DEVOUR, WOUND

ANSWER: COUNTDOWN

# Troop Talk

402nd MP Co (Lt. Esplin) - Congratulations to Sp4 George Banks and wife Melody on the birth of a daughter, Kimberly Michelle, their first. Numerous promotions to 402nd personnel: Sp4s George Leddon, David Doty, David Washington, Mark Neil, Elaine Hower, David Ahlensberg, Clyde Hankerson and Reginald Burford; PFCs Rebecca Campbell and William Gnagy; and last but not least, Pvt Jeffrey Borgen. Congratulations to Sgt. Harold Maddox for reenlisting for three years after completing six years of active duty service.

16th AG (POSTAL) (SFC WOOD) - The unit is still participating in Operation RED FLAG at Fort Irwin. Capt. Lamb, Company Commander, continues to make his weekly trips to the field to check on his troops. So far, all is well.

HQ Co, (SSgt. KELLY)—Sgt. John Timm has been awarded the ARCOM for meritorious service. This is his first award.

Not an every-day happening for the unit but John and Jenise Lanoue (husband & wife) were promoted to PFC. Also promoted to PFC was Harold Myers. Promoted to SP4 were the following: Harvey Boddy, Antonio Garza, Jr., Richard Jackson, Kathy Goodwin, Rafael Caraballo, Wilson Patrick, John Hanson and Jeffrey Mills.

Ramon Conopio and Lori Gallagher were promoted to Sp5, while John Timm and Raymond Carrion-Leon were promoted to Sgt.

Hey guys and dolls! The company wants to remind you that the Dining Facility will host Soul Night on March 22nd.

170th MP Co (Sgt. TOLLEY)—Top news of the week in the company is the promotion and reenlistment of First Sergeant Leo Wafford. Members of the unit and guests treated 1st Sgt Wafford with coffee & cake on his promotion to MSgt. one day and on the next day, he reenlisted for four years.

Sp5 David Hoover enlisted for four years also. Members of the unit welcomed the following personnel: Pvts Douglas Wargo, Errol Morgan and Zorjan Schykerynec; Sp4s William Brewer, Jr., Lynn Mazzella and Paul Coyle.

163rd MP Co (SFC DRINNON)—The unit welcomes SSgt Bradley Weirich back to the Presidio as a new member of the unit.

D Co, 864th Engrs (Sgt. TAYLOR)—Promoted to the rank of Sp5 were Paul Kinser and Randy Ohm. SSgt McKinley Womack is PCSing to Germany. The unit wishes you well. SSgt. Robert Beier, Sp4 Charles Sutton and PFC Jose Kancol were welcomed to the unit this week.

51st Engrs Det (SSgt. DeLos SANTOS)—The unit extends a hearty THANKS to Sp5 Thomas Hornack, Sp4 Preston Cummings, PFCs Joe Beck and Pat Foukes for their contributions to renovating the day-room before PCSing. Also, PCSing is Sp5 Marvin Puckett. A fond farewell to all of you.

PFC Evison Beck completed the Small Arms Repair Course at Ft. Lewis, WA.

Sp5s Robert Freeland and Danny Wilson completed the Primary Leadership Course at Fort Ord. Congratulations.

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### DOD photo contest

The deadline for submission of entries to the 17th Interservice Photography Contest is April 8, noon. All military personnel, military retired, dependents and DA civilians on the Presidio are eligible to compete.

Entries must be original black and white prints, color prints, or color slides taken within the last two years. Awards for first, second, third and honorable mentions will accrue at each level in the competition for active military. The entries of dependents, retired and civilian personnel will be judged at the Presidio level only.

The contest is conducted yearly to enable both amateur and experienced photographers an opportunity to compete on a worldwide basis and to have their skills appraised by prominent judges in photography. Judging will be based on impact, freshness of approach, ability to communicate and technical skill.

Further details and entry forms may be obtained from the Photo Lab, Post Crafts Shop, Bldg 122, tel 4497.

### MOS changes

The Army has recently begun a series of Enlisted Personnel Management System changes affecting 49 MOSs.

As a result of these changes, the Army will renegotiate the enlistment contracts of about 2800 soldiers presently enrolled in the Delayed Entry Program (DEP). Each soldier affected by the change will have the opportunity to elect a related MOS, choose an alternate MOS based on qualifications and the availability of training spaces or be released from the Delayed Entry Program. Any renegotiation will be completed before the enlistee's entry on active duty.

### Marriage planning

Getting married is one of the biggest steps of a lifetime and it requires a lot of thinking and planning. Army chaplains are here to help soldiers and their future spouses look at marriage in a realistic light by providing counseling as well as advice in the arrangements.

If you're thinking about getting married, contact the post chaplain, ext. 4711/4239.

### Band concert

The Sixth United States Army Band will hold a free concert on Thursday, March 16, at 7:30 p.m., at the Letterman Army Institute of Research Auditorium (Bldg 1110, adjacent to the Letterman Army Medical Center), Presidio of San Francisco.

The program will feature highlights from "Camelot" by Frederick Lerner, selections from the movie "Rocky" by Conti/Lowden, a tribute to Stephen Foster arranged by Sammy Nestico, "Rakes of Mallow" by Leroy Anderson, and the "Finale" from the "New World Symphony" by Antonin Dvorak.

The public is invited to attend.

# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q. I have a slight problem—I would like to get an overseas assignment. I know it is not easy, but what's the best way?**

**Name withheld by request**

**A.** Submit a request through your chain of command for overseas assignment. (His application for assignment to Korea was received by **COMPACT** on Feb. 13 and forwarded with a favorable recommendation to Headquarters, Department of the Army, three days later. HQDA will make a decision based on personnel requirements in Korea.)

Cpt. William Babylon  
Chief, Personnel Management

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**;

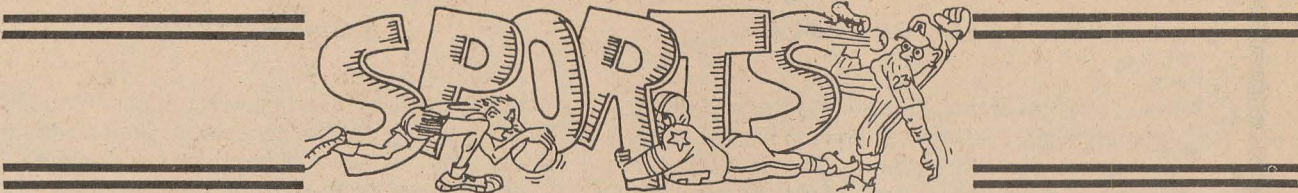
# Chalk up another one



*In an unusual ceremony recently, five members of one squad of HHD 504th MP BN., received ARCOMs at the same time. The squad is the Presidio's Color Guard.*

The five soldiers, Sgt. John Cook, Sgt. Stan Dancer, Sp4 James Berry, Sp4 Fred Reed and PFC James White, have been working together six months and hope to continue into the summer. However, two other soldiers have been working with them recently to serve as replacements in the event one of the original members should have to leave.

The Color Guard has received several trophies and letters of commendation from organizations sponsoring events in which they have participated. They have performed in ceremonies honoring, among others, the Vice President of the United States, and the Prince of Wales. They also appeared in a parade before a tennis tournament featuring Chris Evert and Billy Jean King.



### Women lead tourney

The FORSCOM Western Region Basketball Championship commenced Monday night with a win for the Presidio men's team over Ft. Sam Houston by a score of 102 to 88. Top scorer for the PSF was big **Dan Jackson** with 21 points.

Tuesday night's competition brought a loss for the Presidio. U.S. Army Alaska toppled the team 90 to 76 despite **Dan Jackson's** 23 points.

In the women's competition the Presidio beat U.S. Army Alaska 46 to 37 on Monday evening. **Cami Barone** led the winners with 15 points while **Peggy Grant** netted 11 for the losers.

The Presidio women were successful again on Tuesday, beating Ft. Sheridan 49 to 13. Top scorer for the Presidio was **Jean Ross** with 12 points. **Romona Calon** is to be commended for scoring all 13 points for the losers.

Our women's team looks strong and has a good chance to take the title. In Wednesday's competition the women competed with Ft. Carson and the men took on Ft. Lewis. Final scores were not available at press time.

Further coverage will appear in next week's SP.

### Swim club

Learning to swim or swim better along with basic life saving techniques are the theme of the military swim program being taught by Sports Branch lifeguards **Noli Manus** and **Karl Gaffney**.

Unit A & R officers or NCOs are invited to contact the Sports Branch office to make reservations for unit programs.

### Tiny Tigers roar

The popularity of soccer among the Presidio's younger set has resulted in a second under-eight-year-old team here. The new team, the PSF Tigers of the SF Flame Junior League, played the Sharks to a 0-0 tie, beat the Rowdies 5-3, and also tied the more experienced Sunset B team, 0-0 recently.

The Tigers came into the second round of the FLAME League behind in experience, since all the other teams in their division have played a full round of games. Despite the lack of game experience, **Scott Farrow** and **Dan Griffin** each have scored two goals, and **Vaughn Scott** pumped in one goal.

Solid passing at the wings has been delivered by **John Dowell**, **Randy Kim**, **Ashley Williams**, and **Paige Knight**.

Keeping the opposition away from the Tigers' goal by a willingness to mix it up with the opponents were **John McFarland**, **Kris Marquis**, **Pat Quinlan**, and **Bo Branch**. The Tigers' stalwart goalie is **Robert Linder**.

### Second Round Standings SF FLAME Junior Soccer League as of March 6, 1978

#### BLUE DIVISION

| TEAM       | W | L | T | GF | GA |
|------------|---|---|---|----|----|
| Lions      | 3 | 0 | 0 | 8  | 1  |
| Olympia    | 2 | 0 | 0 | 15 | 3  |
| *P. Tigers | 1 | 0 | 2 | 5  | 3  |
| SSF Pumas  | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2  | 2  |
| Sunset B   | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2  | 11 |
| Sharks     | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0  | 1  |
| Knights    | 0 | 2 | 1 | 4  | 12 |
| Rowdies    | 0 | 2 | 0 | 3  | 6  |

The next Tiger game will be played at South Sunset Field (40th and Vicente) against the league-leading Lions at 12 p.m. on Saturday, March 11.



## AF, NG unite

# "Suppose we had a war..."

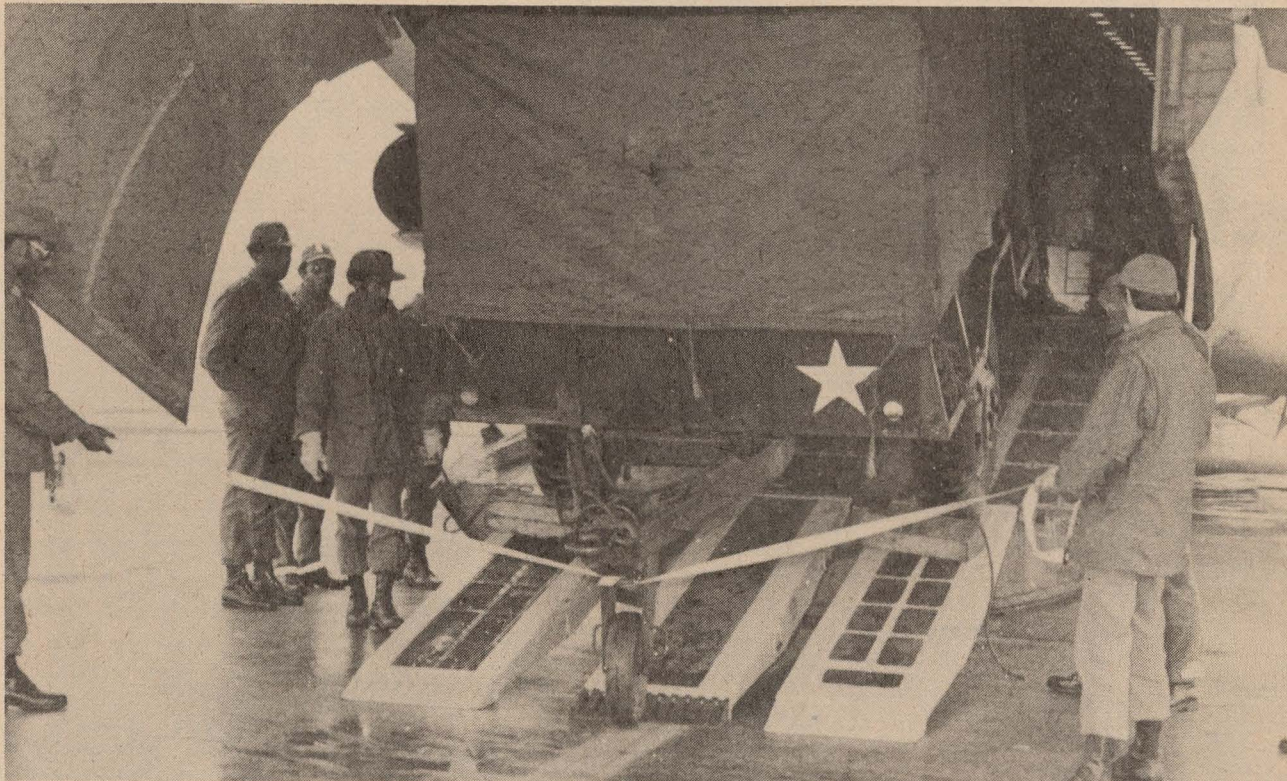
"Suppose we had a war and nobody came?" We've all heard that question and have given it some thought, but suppose there was a war and our side was late? Readiness Group of Readiness Region IX, a Presidio-based organization, is responsible for making sure that situation never occurs. Its mission, as part of the "Total Force Concept" is to insure that the proficiency, training and readiness of National Guard and Army Reserve units is equal to that of the Active Army.

Recently, with this in mind, Maj. Dennis Gresdo and MSgt. Ray Neeley of Readiness Group got together with the Air Force Reserve and set out to decrease combat transportation time for mobilization and in turn increase combat readiness.

A joint exercise between the Guard and the Air Force Reserve was planned, the first of its kind in California. Units selected for the exercise were the 64th and 55th Aerial Port Squadrons from the AF Reserve and the Army's 2632nd Transportation Company from San Bruno with its Sacramento detachment.

As planned, the Army National Guardsmen arrived at Travis Air Force Base in convoy to facilitate the "movement" of several Army vehicles, consisting of two and a half ton trucks, trailers and jeeps. Members of the 55th and 64th Aerial Port Squadrons were waiting at the scalehouse to weigh each vehicle and mark it for center of gravity. This procedure guaranteed that the vehicles would be loaded according to their sizes and weight thus maintaining the balances of the cargo. Each piece of equipment was checked and moved to the marshalling area for loading aboard C-5 and C-141 cargo planes.

After a general briefing by the Air Force Loadmaster, the Army and Air Force were ready to go to work. Drivers from the 2632nd drove the vehicles up to the loading area and the C-5 was loaded within a matter of minutes. As a matter of fact, the C-5 was loaded twice for training purposes, once from the rear and once from the front.



**A National Guard trailer is loaded on an Air Force C-141 cargo plane. The training was part of a recent exercise at Travis AFB, involving personnel (shown here) from the Army National Guard and Air Force Reserve Aerial Port Squadrons. (USAF Photo by SSgt R. Simpson.)**

The C-141 took a little more time. Loading a two and a half ton truck into a C-141 presented a challenge. The clearance on both sides was only a matter of inches. To make a tough situation tougher, it was raining and the ramp was slippery. Backing the trucks up the ramp took all the skill the Army and Air Force team could muster, but both planes were loaded.

Everyone who participated in the exercise left Travis with a feeling of accomplishment. Maj. Gresdo

stated that although he "had seen many units in different branches of the services in action," he was "especially impressed with the professionalism of the 64th and 55 APS's."

The Air Force was equally impressed with the Army National Guard. Throughout the entire exercise, there was not one single accident, injury, or damage to aircraft or equipment.

## ... News Break ...

### SF State courses

Although it is too late to enroll in the Spring term at Bay Area colleges, the Army Education Center offers you a chance to take an on-post course from San Francisco State University from March 27-May 18. Each of the following courses meets two nights per week from 6-9 p.m. and carries three units of credit which can be applied toward most accredited two-year or four-year degrees. Psychology of Personal Development (PSY 101), Introduction to Oceanography (GEOL 310), Introductory Psychological Statistics (PSY 371), and Consumer Health (HE 312).

Classes are open to all adults - military or civilian. Tuition is \$105 per course. Active duty military may use the GI Bill or apply for tuition assistance. For further information, phone extension 2974 (Fort Scott) or 4030 (LAMC/LAIR).

### USF degrees offered

The Army Education Center will sponsor two briefings about University of San Francisco's evening programs leading to Bachelors degrees in Psychological Services or Human Relations/Organizational Behavior, and Bachelor's or Master's in Public Service.

On Thursday, March 16, a briefing will be held at noon in Room 210 of Bldg. 37 (Civilian Personnel/Public Affairs), and at 4:30 p.m., a second briefing will be held at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216.

The USF programs are designed to be completed in one year. Students attend one four-hour class weekly and also design and implement a field work project. Of particular advantage to military personnel is the opportunity to submit a "Prior Learning Portfolio." This is a way of documenting learning from job and travel experience, which can result in substantial college credit.

All interested personnel, military and civilian, are invited to attend the briefings. For further information, phone extension 2974 (Fort Scott) or 4030 (LAMC/LAIR).

### Supersitters

Army Community Service will conduct a Supersitter Class for young people who would like to have their names added to the list of part-time baby sitters.

The class will be held Thursday, March 23, from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. Participants should bring a sack lunch.

Some of the material to be presented includes child growth and development, nutrition, children's recreation, safety and emergency measures and other topics designed to assist sitters in doing a better job.

Phone ACS at 561-5057 or 561-5155 to register.

### Cdr's black books

The Judge Advocate General has ruled that notebooks of commanders and subordinate leaders, maintained on unit personnel, are not subject to the Privacy Act of 1974.

Commanders or leaders may discreetly keep their black books, only as a personal means of convenience on the performance, conduct, and development of subordinate personnel. These facts will not be under the control of any agency and passing them on to one's successor must be avoided. Requirement for such a record by superior authorities, either orally or in writing, will not be permitted. All local regulations, command policies or other directives requiring such actions will be rescinded.

Disclosures from personal notebooks will not be made except to military members and civilian employees of the Department of Defense who need the information in the performance of their duties.

### German language class

Are you scheduled for PCS to Germany? Do you want to know something about the language and culture before you arrive? If so, enroll in one of the German language and cultural orientation courses to be held at the Presidio from March 21 to June 1.

Enroll today by contacting the Education Center at ext 4445/2974. There is no fee for the class. Books and materials are provided by the Education Center. Military and civilian personnel on orders or alerted for duty in Germany have priority for enrollment. Others can enroll on a space available basis.

### Teachers needed

Assistant teachers and teachers are needed to serve in the Sunday School Program of the Religious Activities Center. These are volunteer positions and no experience is necessary since there is an ongoing training program. For more information or to volunteer call Rev. Robert Gilbert, ext. 3535/4440, Monday through Thursday, during normal duty hours.

## Movies

#### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, March 10, The Chicken Chronicles (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 11, Never A Dull Moment (G), 2 and 7 p.m.**

**Sunday, March 12, Oh, God! (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Monday, March 13, Oh, God! (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Tuesday, March 14, Oh, God! (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, March 15, The Van (R), 7 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 16, Black Sunday (R), 7 p.m.**

#### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday, March 10, Cannonball (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Monday, March 13, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.**

**Tuesday, March 14, Nasty Habits (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, March 15, The Deep (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Thursday, March 16, The Last Hard Men (R), 7 p.m.**

#### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

**Monday, March 13, The Deep (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Friday, March 17, Oh, God! (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Saturday, March 18, Black Sunday (R), 7 p.m.**

**NASTY HABITS (PG)** An outrageous comedy about a nun who wants to replace a dying abbess. Using the techniques of Watergate, she bugs the convent and keeps tapes of all conversations in her office. Viewers will have fun picking out the real-life counterparts of the characters. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**Coming attraction: Saturday Night Fever**

**WHICH WAY IS UP? (R)** Talented Richard Pryor plays three consecutive roles in this film: Leroy Jones, a sex-starved fruit picker, father Rufus, the original 'dirty old man', and Reverend Lenox Thomas, a preacher who does more than preach to Jones' wife.





# CANCER

by Linda Spillane

The month of April has been named cancer control month, and the word for the month should be CAUTION.

Each letter in the word caution stands for a cancer warning signal.

The Merriam-Webster Dictionary defines cancer as: 1) a malignant tumor that tends to spread in the body; 2) a malignant evil that corrodes slowly and fatally.

When one thinks of cancer, cigarette smoking comes to some people's minds as a major killer.

The death rate for people who smoke cigarettes is higher at all ages than for people who do not smoke. The rate climbs in proportion to: 1) the number of cigarettes smoked; 2) the years the person has been smoking; 3) the age the person began smoking.

Cigarette smoking has been implicated as a major "villain" in lung cancer, emphysema, chronic bronchitis, heart attacks and strokes, and mouth and larynx cancers.

According to the American Cancer Society, cancer of the colon and rectum is the most common internal cancer among adults.

An examination called the "Procto," using the proctosigmoidoscope, is recommended as a regular part of routine examinations for men and women over 40. The "Procto" is a slim, lighted tube that enables the physician to look directly inside the rectum and lower bowel for any abnormalities.

In many early detection cases, the cancer can be cured **without major surgery**.

There are seven cancer safeguards which you can use as guidelines for your own personal health care, and they are:

Lung: Reduction and ultimate elimination of cigarette smoking.

Colon-Rectum: Proctoscopic exam as routine in annual checkup for those over 40.

Breast: Self-examination as a monthly female practice.

Uterus: Pap test for all adult and high-risk women.

Skin: Avoidance of excessive sun.

Oral: Wider practice of early detection measures.

Basic: Regular physical examination for all adults.

According to Dr. June Goodfield, author of THE SIEGE OF CANCER, "As we come to know cancer, we realize how complicated it is, for much more is involved than just a normal cell turning into an abnormal one. Cancer is an amalgam of several sorts of diseases involving the whole organism. We are faced not only with the pathological condition of a given organ, but with the interplay of every system in the whole body. Even so, scientists now do not believe that cancer is all that much more complicated than many other forms of chronic disease which occur late in life—rheumatism, arthritis or auto-immune diseases may be even more difficult to cure."

Remember, in many cases of cancer, an early diagnosis and immediate treatment can be life-saving. And for the month of cancer control, remember, the word of CAUTION.



**Change in bowel or bladder habits**



**A sore that does not heal**



**Unusual bleeding or discharge**



**Thickening or lump in breast or elsewhere**



**Indigestion or difficulty in swallowing**



**Obvious change in wart or mole**



**Nagging cough or hoarseness**

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### DA Buildings:

# To Smoke or Not to Smoke



by Linda Spillane

Smoking tobacco is an age old custom. Rolled tobacco leaves were smoked by the Indians of the Antilles (two groups of islands in the West Indies) around the time of Christopher Columbus. Calumet or Peace pipes, highly ornamented ceremonial pipes, were smoked by the American Indian. Tobacco smoking has been here for a long, long time.

Cigarette production in the United States is a booming business. North Carolina leads all other

states in cigarette production. In 1975, it ranked first in tobacco production with a monetary value of \$950 million. This is a great deal of money that the American consumer is paying for its smokes.

Anyone who reads magazines or smokes cigarettes knows that several years ago the Surgeon General determined that cigarette smoking is dangerous to your health.

On November 18, 1977 the Department of the Army (DA) established a regulation that describes a uniform procedure for smoking in DA occupied buildings and facilities.

DA also recognized the fact that people have the right to work in an atmosphere that is relatively free of contamination. DA also recognizes the right of persons who do smoke, providing such action does not endanger life or property, cause discomfort or undue annoyance to nonsmokers, or infringe upon their rights.

No smoking policies are in effect in auditoriums, dining facilities, elevators, shuttle vehicles (buses, sedans or vans), medical care facilities, conference and classrooms, work areas, hallways, lobbies and restrooms.

Exceptions to this policy include smoking in medical care facilities, but restricted to staff lounges, private offices and specially designated areas. Smoking is permitted in visitor waiting rooms only where space and ventilation capacities permit separate smoking and nonsmoking sections. Smoking in hallways, lobbies and restrooms is permitted, as people are not in these areas for long periods of time.

In work areas, a smoking policy must be established and maintained, to provide a balance for the rights of smokers and nonsmokers. In common work spaces shared by smokers and nonsmokers, smoking will be permitted only if ventilation is adequate to remove smoke from the work area and a healthy environment is provided. Work sections can be arranged to the preferences of each group, provided the efficiency of work does not decline, and additional space or costly renovations are not required.

"I think it's great," says Miss Jeanne McMahon, LAMC Screening Clinic. "We've been waiting for this a long time. There's an awful lot of people who come in with chest problems and it's not good for them to be around people who smoke," she continued. "I think it's fine that the smokers have their own designated smoking areas. It's good that they haven't lost their right to smoke," she added. "Also, the nonsmokers have areas where they can go where they won't be subjected to the smokers."

"I don't see how this policy can be enforced," says SP5 Stanley Chasten, Parachute Shop. "I can see it in a dining facility, because I don't like to eat where there's a lot of smoke, but that's it."

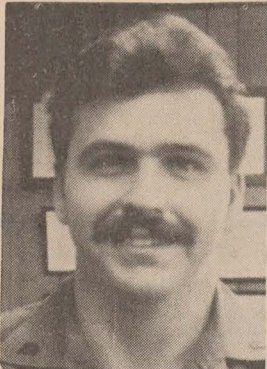
According to AR 1-8, which deals with the no-smoking policy, emphasis would be placed on educational programs to discourage smoking. These programs should focus on high risk personnel such as those with chronic bronchitis, emphysema, asthma and coronary heart disease. Programs should include lectures, films, pamphlets and posters and should be updated frequently to utilize the latest available medical research information on smoking and health.



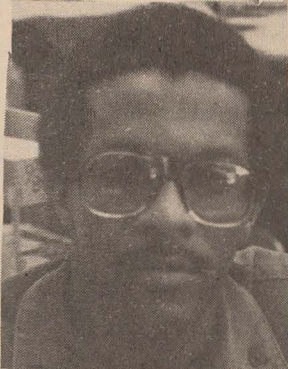
# Ramblin' Sam



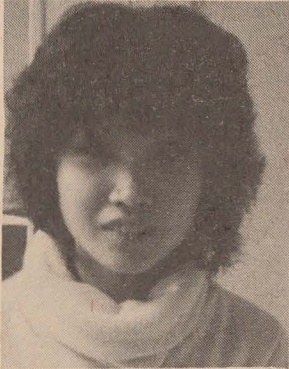
How do you overcome loneliness and boredom?



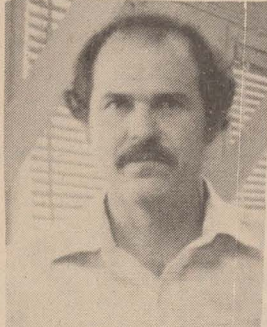
SP4 Jack Lamb, Clerk, Post Re-enlistment — I like to go dancing. I like to party. Oh, do I like to party! Some weekends I go home to Sacramento. Usually, my job keeps me busy too.



SP4 Ken Frank, Personnel Actions Specialist, PAC — I practice martial arts and meditate. In other words, I study yoga and meditation. Sometimes I go with my friends to see the city. I don't get bored very easily.



Pansy Fong, Neighborhood Youth Corps, CPO — I listen to music and talk to my friends. I watch TV and I just go out.



Mr. Bill Clyde, Employee Development Specialist, Training Branch, CPO — I never feel bored or lonely because I never give it a chance to catch up with me. I avoid it by being with people and doing things with them. I go to the theater and I play racquetball.



Mr. William Bayliss, Chief Recruiting and Replacement Br, CPO — I don't have time for boredom and loneliness. I go to college four nights a week, and on the weekends I'm studying. I would say this keeps me occupied and prevents boredom.



Rasheeda Muhamed Karriem — Employee Sweet & Treat Shop — I knit. I crochet. I love to dance, bowl and swim. I go to see my granddaughter. So you see, I never get bored. Everybody gets lonely. I do miss companionship, because I'm not married now. I suppose that's my fault though, because I'm choosy.



Judy Renouf, Volunteer, Army Community Services — I just scream and make noise. Sometimes I play with my pet animals. Sometimes I tease my father.



SP4 William Thomas, Personnel Actions Clerk, COMPACT — I spend most of my time chasing women. I like to go sight-seeing.

RAMBLIN' SAM SAYS — A local publication recently described San Francisco as "a lonely place for many people." This may or may not be true, but why not call a friend today? If you find him/her bored and lonely, maybe you can help them get through the day!

# SNAFU

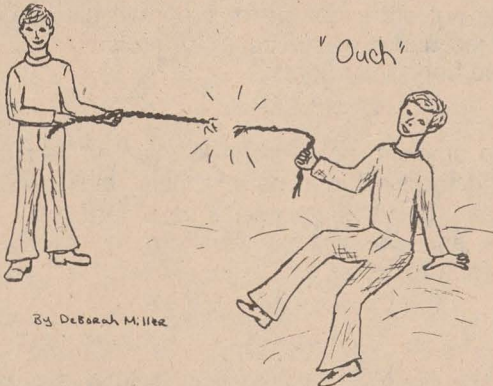
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| BLOHDE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NIMUME |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| PASHIM |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RULLAP |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TAGGDE |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



Answer to last week's: QUERY, SANDAL, TAKEN, OPTION, RITUAL  
ANSWER: SAN QUENTIN

Solution in next week's SP

# Troop Talk

HQ Co. USAG (SSgt. KELLY) — SP4s George and Mary Blake Smith are welcomed to the unit from Germany.

The CO and members of the unit wish to congratulate SP5 Katherine Chadbourne, SP5 Eugenia Ross, SP4 Carolyn Wright, SP4 Daniel Jackson and SFC James Scott (coach) for representing USAG in the FORSCOM Basketball Tournament held at Fort Carson, CO.

Reminder: Don't forget the unit's Speciality Night — Soul!! — on March 22nd.

170th MP Co. (Sgt. TOLLEY) — Caretaker members of the unit are busy beautifying the area for a "Welcome Back" party for the unit's return from Camp Roberts and their FTX. They return this weekend.

HHD, 504th MP BN (PFC REYES) — The unit is also at Camp Roberts in support of the 170th's FTX. They will also be returning this weekend. Meanwhile, Sgt. Steven Bartley has been assigned to the unit from Germany.

D Co, 864th Engrs Bn (Sgt. TAYLOR) — The unit welcomed the following: Pvts. Timothy South, James O'Connell, Thomas Cotheman, SP4s Gregory Woodyard, Mickey Newsome and Joseph Hatchett. PCSing to Germany is Sgt. Nolan Woodward. Good luck!

16th AG (POSTAL) (SFC WOOD) — SP5 Robert Payton was presented his first ARCOM by Col. John D. Hamilton, post commander, for meritorious service while stationed in Germany.

Unit personnel returned Wednesday from Fort Irwin where they took part in the recent Operation RED FLAG. The happy warriors were: Lt. James Carroll, SSgt. Willie Thomas, SP5 Roger Leighton, SP4s Carol Mullin, Kathy Robbins, Sheryl Cummings, Theodora Thomas and Pvt. Clarice Tate.

51st Engrs. Det. (SSgt. DeLos SANTOS) — Sgt. Richard Furbert (Germany) and SP4 Danny Powell (USAG) were welcomed as new members of the unit this week. Pvts. Evison Beck and Claudia Boehl were promoted to the rank of SP4. Converted to Sgt. due to an MOS change were: SP5s Danny Wilson, Alturo Alcalen and Carl Oehring.

402nd MP Co (Lt. ESPLIN) — Good luck wishes to PFC Joe Latham, who will be competing for the Western FORSCOM Pistol Team at Fort Ord during the next three months. Best wishes also to SP4 James Walker who is now attending CBR School at Fort Ord. Meanwhile, the company welcomes PFC Freddie McDade, coming in from Korea. The unit bids farewell to SP4 David and PFC Becky Doty who are PCSing to Hawaii. That's going to be a 'tuff assignment. Also, to SP4 Brad Wederquist and SP4 Alvin Rombro who are PCSing to Germany.

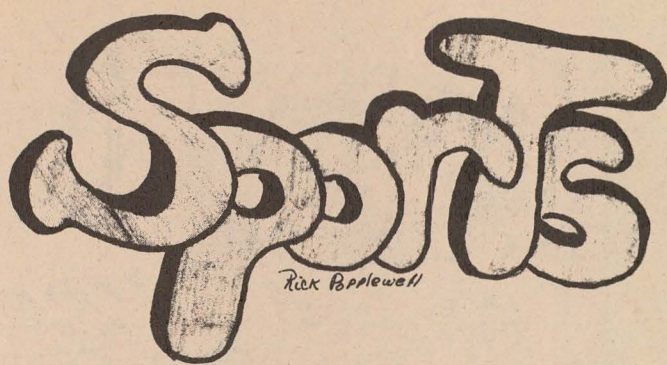
163rd MP Co (SFC DRINNON) — Recently, the 163rd MP Company was the first troop unit to conduct Environmental Protection Training here. A film, "The Army and the Environment," was shown to illustrate what programs the Army is conducting to protect the environment and what responsibilities the individual soldier has to support these programs.

The Army, being the single largest landholder in the United States, possesses an area larger than Massachusetts, Rhode Island and Connecticut combined.

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## All-Army Tourney

The All-Army Basketball Team will be looking for its 16th Interservice Championship in 18 years when it takes on the All-Navy team in the opening game of the 1978 Interservice Basketball Championship Tournament at Treasure Island, Tuesday, March 21.

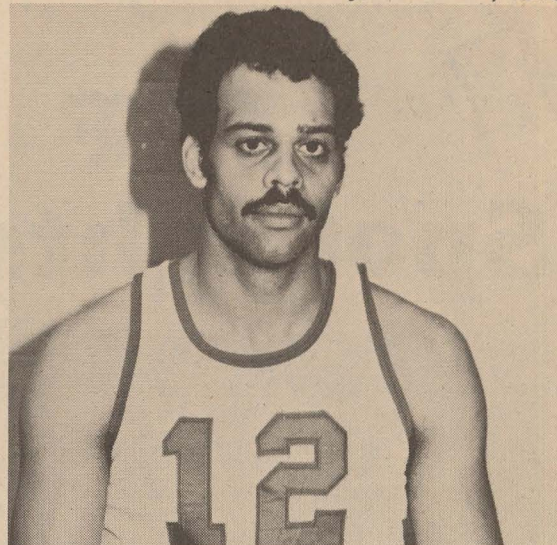
The Army team comes into the Annual Classic as a heavy favorite to repeat its domination of the event.

The winning team at the Interservice Tournament each year makes up the nucleus of the US Interservice team that represents the Military and the United States in the NATO Tournament held each year in Belgium and the Conseil International du Sport Militaire (CISM) Tournament which sees teams from numerous nations from around the world participating in a military-type Olympic event.

Last year's Interservice Team, coached by the Presidio's Hal Fischer, won both of these prestigious tournaments as well as the AAU National Championship for the seventh time — tying the record.

The Tournament schedule finds the Army meeting Navy in the opening game at 7 p.m., followed by the Air Force — Marine contest at 9 p.m. Wednesday night, March 22, will pit the Army against the Air Force and the Marines taking on the Navy. Games slated for the final night of the tourney, Thursday, March 23, will send the Army against the Marines and the Air Force against the Navy in the nightcap. Games will tip-off at 7 and 9 p.m.

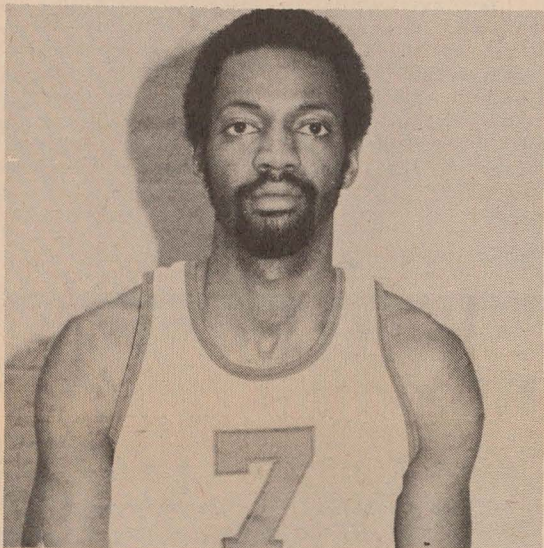
The Interservice Tournament is played under International Rules to include points awarded in the standings.



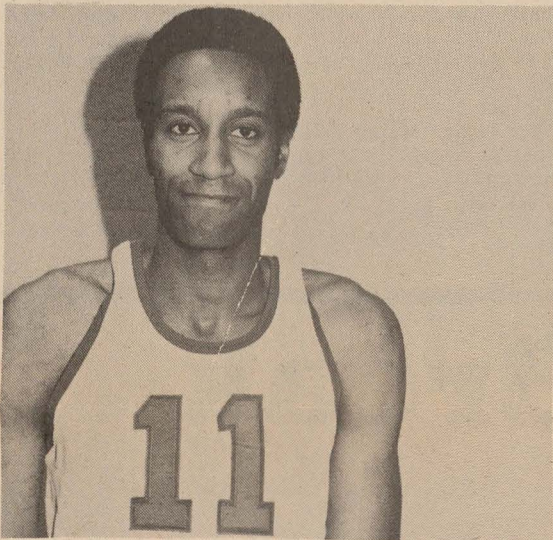
Playing Swingman for the All-Army team is two year veteran **Pierre Russell, #12**. The 6 foot, 4 inch, 208 pound Russell, from Kansas City, KN, is currently stationed at the Presidio.



A Compton, CA, native, **Al Forney, #9**, plays Guard for the All-Army team. The 6 foot, 5 inch, 190 pound two year veteran is stationed at the Presidio.



Playing Forward and Center, **#7, Leonard Pierce**, 6 foot, 8 inches, weighing in at 190 pounds, hails Oakland, CA, as home. Currently stationed at Ft. Sill, OK, Pierce has been on the All-Army team for three years.



**Lafayette Love, #11**, calls Pittsburg, CA, home. The 6 foot, 10 inch, 198 pound Center is currently stationed at Wesel, Germany, and has been on the All-Army team for one year.

### Tourney Predictions

Army will continue to dominate the Inter-Service Basketball scene as they have since its beginning. Only the Marines will offer token resistance — very token. Army should sink the Navy and bomb the Air Force by 30 points plus while the Marines may stay within 15 points of the reigning champions.

Here's the way you can expect them to finish:

|           |        |                                 |
|-----------|--------|---------------------------------|
| Army      | 3 - 0  | Too many horses                 |
| Marines   | 2 - 1  | Not bad against no competition  |
| Air Force | 1 - 2  | Lucky Navy is in the Tournament |
| Navy      | Zapped | Never weighed anchors           |

### All-Star team selection



**Camille M. Barone**, of the 402nd MPmCompany, was selected for the FORSCOM Western Region All-Star Team following the Women's Basketball Tournament at Fort Carson, CO.

Barone paced the Presidio both on offense and defense in leading the team to a fourth place finish in the tourney.

The 5' 11" center averaged 18 points a game along with 17 rebounds and four blocked shots throughout the regular season here at the Presidio as well as during the Fort Carson Tournament.

A native of Garfield, N.J., Barone played center and forward on her Garfield High School Team for four years with a 16-point average prior to entering the Army in April 1977.

## Patrick Who?

by Ted Elisee

Who is this man, St. Patrick? No one really knows much about him — not even the Catholic Church, which gave him the title of "saint."

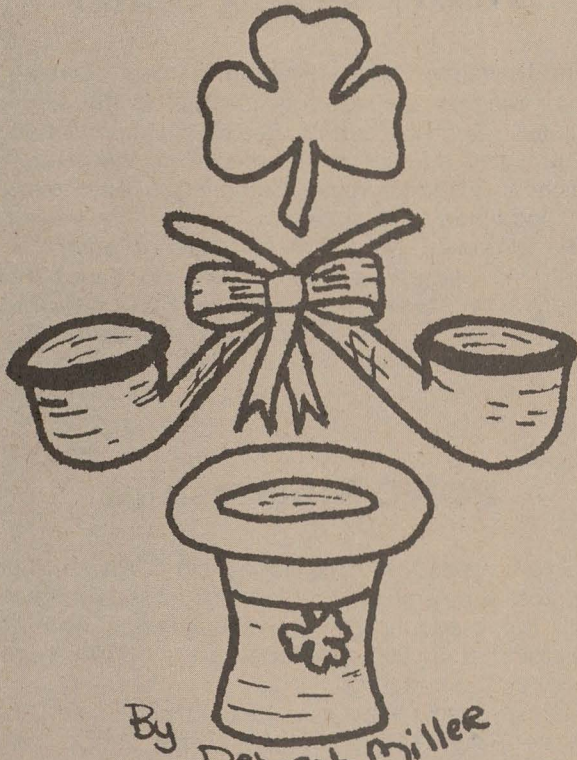
One thing that is known for sure about Patrick is that he was a Christian missionary who came to Ireland. In the past, many historians believed that Patrick was French or Italian. Now, most historians agree that Patrick had Roman Italian parents, and was born in England.

Who was this man Patrick? Why, he was two men, say historians. One Patrick was the missionary who supposedly drove out all the snakes from Ireland, and the second Patrick was the one who continued the first Patrick's work when the first Patrick died.

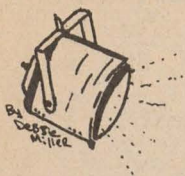
Confused? So are historians. You see, existing records show that if Patrick did all that it is believed he did, in the time frame when he was supposed to have existed, then Patrick was well over one hundred years old when he died! This sounds possible, but life expectancy was much, much less than one hundred years old in the year 492 A.D. Thus, the belief that two Patricks existed came about.

No matter, though. St. Patrick's Day, March 17th, has always been a day of celebration for Irish and non-Irish around the world. Why March 17th? Well, historians haven't decided. The date is either the anniversary of Patrick's birth or his death.

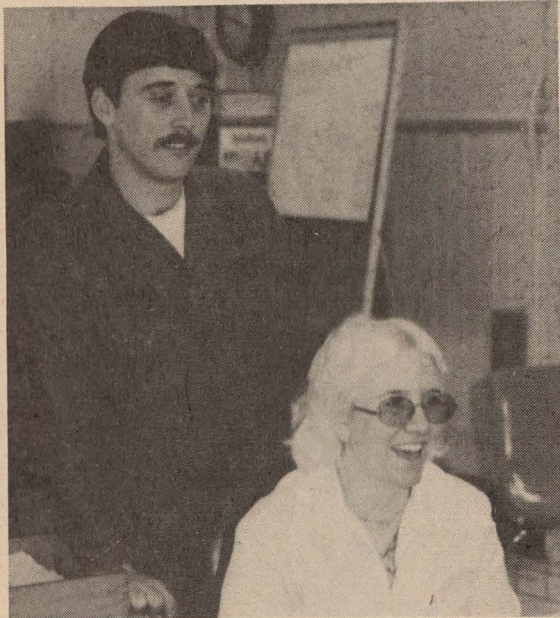
Oh well — Happy St. Patrick's Day! — and may ya be in heaven at least ten minutes before the devil finds out you're dead.







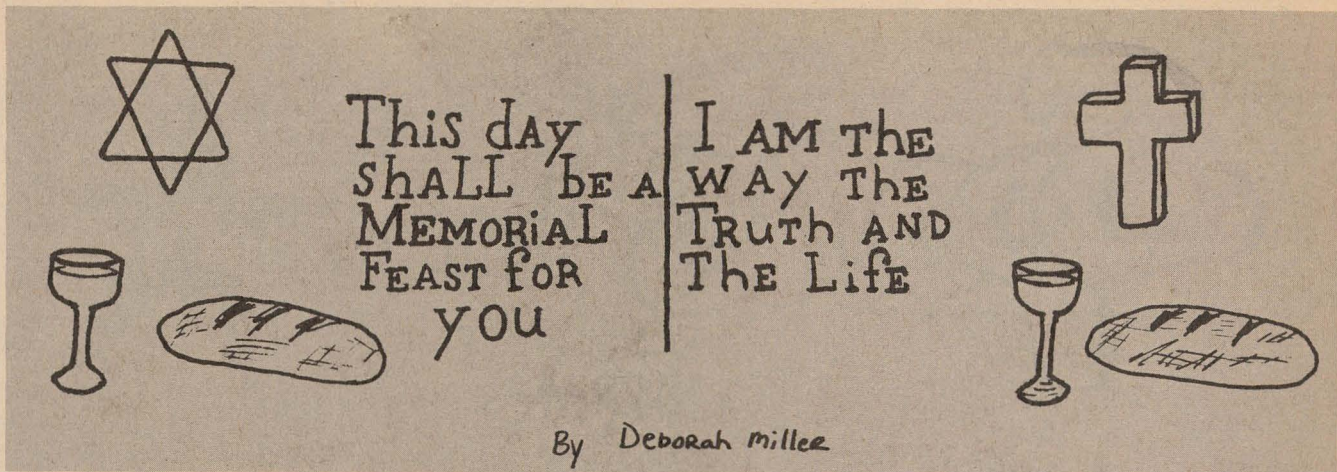
# PSF Spotlights



**PFCs Jenise and John Lanoue**, both assigned to HQ Company, USAG were jointly promoted last week by their commander, **Capt. Thomas J. Smith**.

Jenise, of Peevely, MO, formerly a waitress, is a Records Clerk in COMPACT. John, of Cambridge, NY., formerly a quarter horse trainer, is a Personnel Receptionist in COMPACT.

The young couple met while attending the Personnel School at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, IN and were married just five days before the completion of AIT there, last August. The proud papa-to-be made it a point to bring attention to his wife's condition, "She's expecting our first one in September."



by Ted Elisee

Jesus and his followers gathered in the Senacle on the night before His death. The gathering was not a typical one. It was a religious ritual. The men were celebrating the Passover. The Passover is a celebration of the release of the Jewish people from slavery. It is a time when Jews recall how Moses led the Hebrews out of the land of Egypt to the Promised Land.

At the seder (Passover meal), the youngest male reads four questions before the participants at the table eat special foods. The oldest male at the table answers the questions.

Although the New Testament does not tell us who did any reading at the Last Supper, scripture does tell us that Jesus gave thanks for the food that was on the Last Supper table. In the Passover seder, two things are consumed — unleavened bread (matzo) and wine. Jesus and his followers consumed these elements also.

The seder and the Passover season continues to be important to the Jewish people. For Christians, the Last Supper and Easter remain important also.

Why? Because the seder and the Last Supper are sacred symbols of "a Great Deliverance."

| Easter Services                 |                                                                                                                                                                             |
|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| CATHOLIC                        |                                                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Saturday, March 18,</b>      | Mass, 5 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady and Ft. Baker Chapel.                                                                                                                      |
| <b>Palm Sunday, March 19,</b>   | Distribution of Palms, 9 and 11 a.m., Chapel of Our Lady; 12:30 p.m., Ft. Baker Chapel.                                                                                     |
| <b>Monday, March 20,</b>        | Confession, 11 a.m., and Mass, 11:35 a.m., Chapel of Our Lady.                                                                                                              |
| <b>Tuesday, March 21,</b>       | Confession, 11 a.m.; Mass, 11:35 a.m.; Reconciliation Penetential Service, 4:45 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady.                                                                   |
| <b>Wednesday, March 22,</b>     | Confession, 11 a.m.; Mass, 11:35 a.m., Chapel of Our Lady.                                                                                                                  |
| <b>Holy Thursday, March 23,</b> | Evening Mass of the Last Supper, 5 p.m.; Adoration and Confession, 5-10 p.m.; Chapel of Our Lady; Passover Supper, 6 p.m., Religious Activities Center.                     |
| <b>Good Friday, March 24,</b>   | A day of fast and abstinence; Celebration of the Lord's Passion (Communion only at this service), 5 p.m.; Stations and Veneration of the Cross, 7 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady. |
| <b>Holy Saturday, March 25,</b> | Confession, 3-5 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady; Easter Vigil, 7 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady and Ft. Baker Chapel.                                                                    |
| <b>Easter Sunday, March 26,</b> | Mass, 9 and 11 p.m., Chapel of Our Lady; 12:30 p.m., Ft. Scott Chapel.                                                                                                      |

| PROTESTANT                         |                                                                                                                       |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Palm Sunday, March 19,</b>      | Morning Service, 9 and 11 a.m., Post Chapel; 9:30 a.m., Ft. Scott Chapel.                                             |
| <b>Maunday Thursday, March 23,</b> | San Francisco Boy's Choir, noon, LAIR Auditorium; Holy Communion Service, 7 p.m., Post Chapel.                        |
| <b>Good Friday, March 24,</b>      | Traditional Candlelight Service, 7 p.m., Post Chapel.                                                                 |
| <b>Easter Sunday, March 25,</b>    | Sunrise Services, 6:45 a.m., Mt. Tamalpais; Worship Service, 9 and 11 a.m., Post Chapel; 9:30 a.m., Ft. Scott Chapel. |

Members of all denominations are cordially invited to attend the Annual Easter Breakfast at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682. Breakfast will be served continuously from 8 to 11:30 a.m. Freewill donations will be accepted.

## ... News Break ...

### Ski Retreat

Headquarters Company USAG along with the Post Chaplain's Office are in the planning stages of a Ski Retreat at Boreal Ridge, CA on Saturday, April 1.

Transportation will be provided by a commercial bus, leaving the Presidio at 5:30 a.m. and arriving at Boreal Ridge at 9:30 a.m. The bus will leave Boreal Ridge at 5 p.m. and arrive at the Presidio at 9:30 p.m.

The cost of the trip per person with ski equipment rental from Outdoor Recreation, plus a two-hour ski lesson and an all-day lift ticket is \$15. For the skier with rented equipment and a lift ticket the charge is \$11. The charge for rented equipment and ski lesson is \$7. For the skier and lift ticket the charge is only \$5.

Meals are at the individual's own expense. Bring a brown bag breakfast for the trip. Snack foods and soft drinks will be provided on the bus during the trip to and from Boreal Ridge. The noon meal may be purchased at the Boreal Ridge Ski Resort cafeteria. On the trip back to the Presidio, the bus will stop at a commercial restaurant so that a dinner meal can be purchased.

The bus seats a maximum of 38 people. Reservations for this trip will be taken on a first-come, first-serve basis, with preference give to HQ. Co. USAG's enlisted troops, then to other active duty personnel and civilian guests. If there is sufficient demand, efforts will be made to obtain a second bus. No POV's will be allowed for this retreat. Those who desire to attend the Ski Retreat must notify, and bring their money to, SSgt. Kelly, no later than close of business Friday, March 24. Further information can be obtained by calling SSgt. Kelly at exts. 4277/4279.

### Easter Egg Hunt

The annual Presidio Easter Egg Hunt will be conducted Saturday, March 25, 10-11:30 a.m., at El Polin Springs (end of MacArthur Blvd) for dependent children 3-12 years old. Should the weather be inclement, the activities will be conducted at Post Recreation Center, Building 135. Children of active duty and retired military personnel are cordially invited to participate in this event.

### Lenten Musical

The Department of Pastoral Services, LAMC, is pleased to announce a Lenten Musical Presentation by the Mastersingers, of the San Francisco Boys Chorus. The Mastersingers, made up of top solo voices, are scheduled to appear Thursday, March 23 at noon at Schwartz Theater, LAMC. Patients, staff, family and friends on the Presidio are invited to hear this spectacular chorus of approximately 12 young men. Admission is free.

### Video Learning Center

The Universal College Program's Video Learning Center recently upgraded its facilities at the Army Education Center. The Fort Scott Education Center has provided a larger room adjacent to the center. The new Video-Learning Center can now offer weekend hours to its students.

The Universal College A.A. degree program is offered to military personnel on 15 bases in California by Azusa Pacific College. For further information contact Mrs. Cheryl Sylvester at the Ft. Scott Education, Bldg. 1216, at ext. 3958.

### POWC Scholarships

Every year the Presidio Officers Wive's Club awards scholarships to high school seniors who will be graduating. Two scholarships will be awarded; a \$1,000 Academic and a \$700 Vocational or Trade School.

These scholarships are open to all (Officer and Enlisted) high school and graduating seniors who are dependents of active duty military assigned to the Presidio or its' sub-posts or a dependent of a member of the P.O.W.C. The only requirement is a 3.0 grade average or better.

Applications are available at the main Post Library or LAIR or Letterman libraries. For further information call 561-2944.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, March 17,** End of the World (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday, March 18,** Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger (G), 2 and 7 p.m.

**Sunday, March 19,** The Gauntlet (R), 7 p.m.

**Monday, March 20,** The Gauntlet (R), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 21,** The Gauntlet (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 22,** The Sellout (PG), 7 p.m.

**Thursday, March 23,** Kid Vengeance (R), 7 p.m.

**OH, GOD! (PG)** As a voice over an intercom and in various forms, a non-denominational God (George Burns) persuades the decent, conscientious assistant manager (John Denver) of a supermarket to believe in Him and spread His message of faith. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**THE VAN (R)** At 19, Stan Getz has two drives — cars and girls. His dream of having his own van finally comes true, but his attempts at chasing girls don't quite turn out.

**BLACK SUNDAY (R)** A suspenseful political drama about a female Black September terrorist and an embittered Vietnam veteran, who attempt to carry out a plot to destroy the 80,000 people attending the Superbowl game, including the President.

**THE GAUNTLET (R)** Clint Eastwood plays a cop set up to be killed along with the witness he's escorting to trial. One of the many highlights of the film is a helicopter motorcycle chase.

**THE SELLOUT (PG)** Spies fall out in this Israeli-made thriller. It is a highly involved affair in which the CIA and KGB co-operate in eliminating each other's spies. Some elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday, March 17,** The Chicken Chronicles (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday, March 20,** Oh, God! (PG), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday, March 21,** Black Sunday (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday, March 22,** The Van (R), 7 p.m.

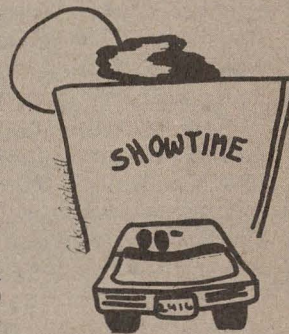
**Thursday, March 23,** The Working Girls (R), 7 p.m.

**OAKLAND ARMY BASE**  
**Monday, March 20,** The Van (R), 7 p.m.

**Friday, March 24,** The Gauntlet (R), 7 p.m.

**Saturday, March 25,** Kid Vengeance (R), 7 p.m.

Coming attraction:  
Saturday Night Fever



**KID VENGEANCE (R)** A young boy, hiding in the woods, sees a Union Army deserter (Lee Van Cleef) and his band of desperados kill his father, shame his mother and take his sister. He meets Jim Brown, an ex-slave turned gold miner, who has been robbed by Van Cleef. Together they follow the gang and have a confrontation with Van Cleef.



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## Motherhood in the Military

Story and Photos by Ted Elisee

"I'm pregnant, ma'am," said the young WAC to her commander. "Well, I'm sorry young lady; I'm afraid you have no choice. You have to get out," said the woman officer.

This fictitious dialogue could have taken place just a few years ago. If a woman in the Army revealed that she was pregnant then, she would have had to leave the service.



The military mother must consider how to care for her child after its birth.

MOS duties without having her child interfere with job performance. Naturally, some MOS duties are more stringent than others, so it is up to the woman's superiors to determine whether or not she is performing up to par. It should be pointed out that a woman who is pregnant does become exempt from extra duties, such as guard duty, and CQ, by Army regulation. She is also granted permission to wear civilian clothes.

Performance of duty becomes an area of consideration when a child is born. That is, the military mother must consider how to care for her child after its birth, as well as soldiering. Some questions to be considered are: How will I be able to go to the field? How can I continue to go to work? How will I pull CQ all night? How can I respond to alerts? What if my child is sick? Who will care for my child if I am sent on an unaccompanied tour? All of the above take serious thought, because not every woman is able to cope with child care and the military environment, too.

When asked about these problems, PFC Cathy Tennie, of the 6th Army Chaplain's Office, answered that her pregnancy has not interfered with her performance of duty. However, she and her husband have decided that it would be better to have Cathy leave the service anyway. Said Cathy, "I have mixed feelings about leaving the Army. I like the Army, but I feel that being a mother is a full-time job. Some people can devote their time to being a mother and being in the Army, too. I cannot. If I tried being a mother, and staying in the Army, I would be cheating one or the other."

The post commander's driver, Sp4 Sheryl Hennesy, who is also pregnant, said, "I don't feel I can hold a job in the military and be a mother, too. Each woman has the right to decide for herself. I encourage any woman who decides to stay in, to do so."

Two mothers who have done just that are Sp5 Doris Beans, and Sp5 Edith Love, both on active duty with 6th Army. When asked about having children and remaining on active duty, Doris said, "I have no problem finding child care. In an area where there are military, there are always dependent women looking for additional income. Child care is often an option they choose. People like to make having children a handicap for women in the military. I don't feel it is for many women. I'm glad it is up to the individual to make the decision about remaining on active duty."

Edith agreed, "I really don't see the problem. After all, many women are able to work and have children. The only time I feel I could not handle the military would be if I was told to go on an unaccompanied tour. I feel a woman is an individual. She alone can decide whether it is good to remain on active duty with children."



Pregnancy in the military once meant the end of a military career.

The Army's stand on pregnant women remaining on active duty has changed since then. Today, every woman who becomes pregnant while in the service receives an orientation from her commander or supervisor about the courses of action she may take concerning her condition. Alternatives available to her include discharge, abortion, or continuing service.

Included on the counseling form the commander uses to advise the pregnant soldier is the statement: "Abortion is an ethical matter to be decided by the member after consultation with her physician and other professional staff as appropriate." The counselor is not supposed to influence or direct the affected soldier toward any particular option.

If a woman chooses to remain on active duty, she must demonstrate that she is capable of handling her

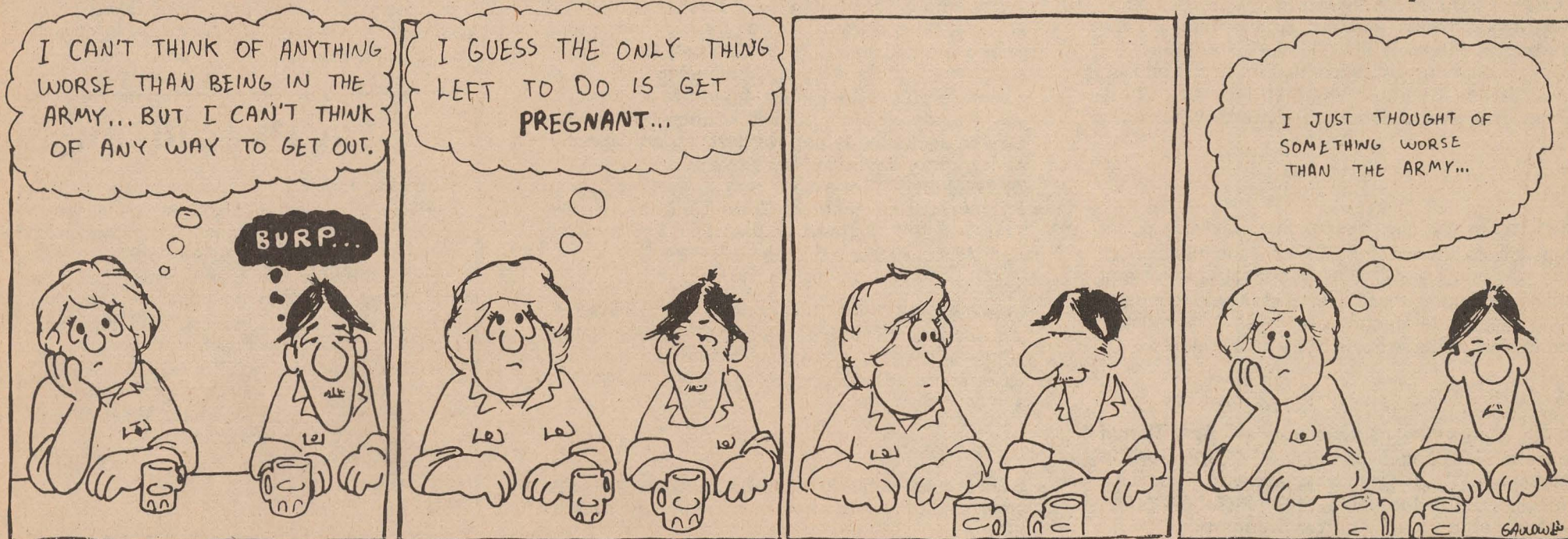
One relatively minor but nonetheless highly visible problem associated with pregnancy is that of clothes. Though the Army presently authorizes the wear of civilian clothes (maternity smocks), it is studying a maternity uniform. The Navy has already adopted a maternity uniform consisting of smock and slacks. While both Cheryl and Cathy state that they have not had any "hassles" from supervisors or peers over use of civilian clothes, they agree that a maternity uniform should be considered since many women choose to stay on active duty. A uniform would also enable them to maintain a military appearance on the job.

Pregnancy in the military once meant the end of a military career. In today's Army, the decision is up to the individual.

When a woman says, "I'm pregnant," she can now ask, "Will the Army be good for me? — instead of — "Well, what am I going to do when I'm discharged?"

### Pulaski

by Gauldin

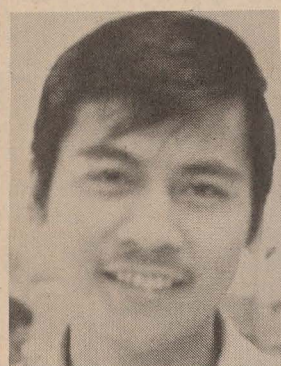




# Ramblin' Sam



**What is the most embarrassing thing that has ever happened to you?**



**Sp4 Arturo Siga, Admin. Specialist, Welcome Center** — "It is embarrassing for me to ride on the bus and see people smoking. Not only is the smoking illegal, it is unhealthy."



**Mrs. Mary Trigg, Termination/Assignment Clerk, Family Housing** — "I was upstairs in my house. My children were outside playing. I came downstairs to my livingroom in my underwear. I found six guests sitting in my livingroom. I did not know they were in the house. My children had let the guests into the house."

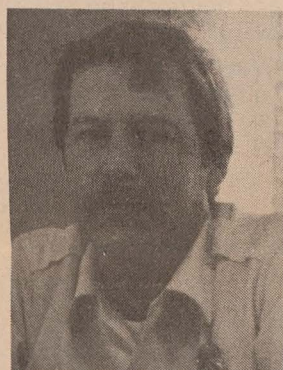
**Mr. Frank Gonzales, Shop Foreman, PX Gas Station** — "I found it very embarrassing when I came to the United States from Puerto Rico. It was embarrassing because of the language barrier."



**Mr. James Jones, Work Order Clerk, PX Gas Station** — "I am a gospel singer. I was singing before a large crowd. While I was singing I forgot the words to the song. I had to make up the words as I went along. It was embarrassing, because I wrote the song."



**Miss Alice Faye Malone, Employee, PX Cafeteria** — "One day I went to a house that had a bathroom with two doors. I walked into the bathroom and found a man on the toilet. He had come in the other door. This was most embarrassing for me."

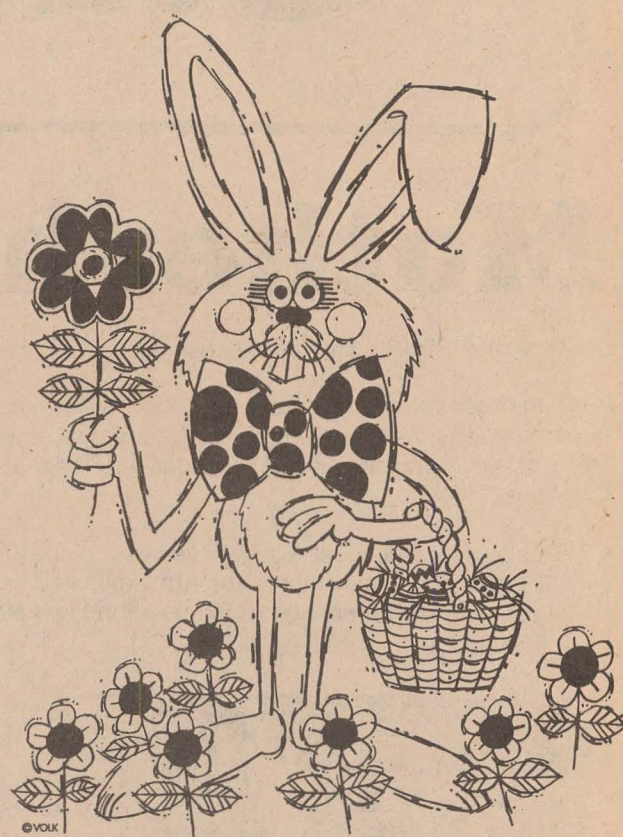


**Mr. William J. Williams, Fire Chief for Presidio** — "When I was a Volunteer fireman I was giving a demonstration on an aerial ladder to a group of girl scouts. While I was on the ladder, my pants split wide open."

**Ramblin' Sam says** - enjoyed doing this column this week. It surprised me to see how open people can be about personal experiences. If

you enjoy this column or want to have a particular question covered, why not call Ramblin' Sam at Ext. 3908.

The Star Presidian staff wishes everyone a happy and safe Easter.



## Guest Editorial

by King Crab

It has been my observation during my tour of duty on the Presidio, that efficiency, loyalty, professionalism and dedication to duty are literally non-existent here. Elbert Hubbard said it over 100 years ago, "If you work for a man, in Heaven's name, work for him!! If he pays you wages that supply you your bread and butter, work for him — speak well of him, think well of him, stand by him and stand by the institution he represents."

In friendly conversations with my peers, superiors and subordinates, I find a common truth — few workers respect their bosses, and perhaps fewer bosses have any faith or trust in their workers. I cannot say with any degree of authority or even accuracy that this is the actual situation. It is enough to report that the feeling exists among superiors and subordinates alike. There may be no truth to the statements, but if the workers on all levels feel that this is indeed a real problem, then the problem is indeed real!!

Supervisors have a responsibility to earn and command respect through their manner of leadership, their knowledge of the job, their ability to train those who work for them, and the myriad other things that make up the ideal supervisor. How will the beginner ever develop professionalism if that trait is never displayed for him by those who lead? Too often I hear the cry, as written by Rudyard Kipling: "Send us the men who do the work for which they draw the wage!" Perhaps that standard should first be applied to the leaders, and gradually applied to those of lesser responsibility.

I suggest that each worker here on this beautiful Army Post recognize that we all work toward one goal, the effective defense of our nation. This cannot be effectively accomplished by people who are constantly "at war" with their fellow workers! We each need to re-evaluate our attitudes towards our jobs, consider if we wish to continue in that job, and then act accordingly.

## TROOP TALK

**402nd MP Co. (Sp4 Polrovsky)** — This week, the Commander congratulates numerous members of his command on their individual achievements and promotions. **PFC Nick Pokrovsky** received his diploma for completion of the Primary Technical NCO Course for the MOS 95B. All right, Nick! The following personnel were promoted to the rank of Sp4: **James Burch, Clyde Chapman, Jerry Gilliam, Joseph Koziol, Dean McKinnie, Robert Peranni, Nick Pokrovsky, Kevin Pratten, Bruce Rae, James Wedmore, James White and Mark Trentadue.** And last but not least, those that made the rank of PFC: **James Charlson, Kenneth Diebert, Scott Erwin, Robert Knudson and Wynn McWhorter.**

**HHD, 504th MP Bn (Sp4 Reyes)** — Everyone is pleased with how well the FTX went and had a good time participating in it. The troops all agree there should be more of these exercises, it was reported. Congratulations to **Hector Luis Reyes** on his promotion to Sp4. Is that why he rates an assistant?

**864th Engrs Bn (Sgt. Taylor)** — **Sp4 Daniel Moreno** is PCSing to Germany, while **Sp4 Gordon Bickel** is ETSing. Good luck, fellows! New arrivals to the unit are: **Pvts Wade Coffey, Melvin Lambert and Andrew Solomon.**

**16th AG (Postal) (SFC Wood)** — A Letter of Appreciation was presented to **Sp4 Shelia Johnson** for services rendered to the Western Recruiting Command during the Christmas period. Three happy faces belong to **Sheryl Cummings, Shelia Johnson and Theodora Thomas** after being promoted to the rank of Sp4. Congratulations!

**170th MPCo. (Sgt. Tolley)** — A lot of people in the unit had good reasons for being happy this week. They were promoted! To PFC: **Scott Bee, Louis Gladfelter and Paul Ficht.** Promoted to the rank of Sp4 were: **Gary Loo, Phillip Miller, Brenda Bolam, Jay Keasler, Dale Zumwalt, Tommy Cantwell, Steven Jackson, James Herbert, Albert Oglesby and Gregory Rayburn.** New arrivals to the unit were: **Sp4s Jeffery Sorenson and Cleveland Dale. Pvts Frederick Richter, Chris Comboy, Bruce Starr and William Reed, Jr. Also, PFC Jeffery Corder.** Welcome to the unit and the Presidio!

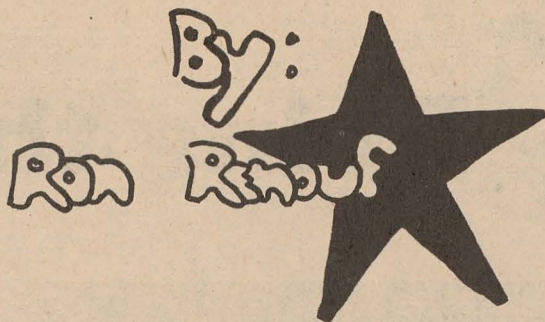
**Public Affairs Office (SFC Taylor)** - One of the reporters on the Star Presidian staff, **PFC Linda Spillane**, will be leaving the newspaper to work for the Tour Guide section. Good luck, Linda, with your new job... and we'll miss you!

**SNAFU** is on vacation this week. However, for last week's solution and a new puzzle, see next week's **SP.**

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# Army Dunks Navy

Army took on a Navy Team in the opening game of the Interservice Basketball Tournament at Treasure Island, Tuesday night, and had their hands full from a team that showed surprising strength.

Army quickly put two points on the scoreboard following the opening tipoff causing many fans to hohum — another Army run-away. But such was not to be. Navy proved a tough, tenacious adversary on the court, particularly with the outside shooting of **Bob Cooper**, the 6'3" Guard from Harrisburg, PA. Cooper pumped in 25 points for the night, with 12 field goals all from the 25-foot mark plus. Nineteen of his points came in the second half of the game.

But the man of the hour, at least from the Army standpoint, was **Jyrona Ralston**, one of the Army's little men at only 6'1", out of Kentucky Wesleyan. Ralston stunned the Navy time after time, hitting from every conceivable spot on the floor as he ripped the cords for 15 field goals and added eight points from the foul line to chalk up a total of 38 for the night in leading the Army to their 105-97 triumph.

Also hitting in the double figures for the Presidio based All-Army team were **James King**, 6'6" from the University of Southern Mississippi, with 14 points; **Larry Rogers**, 6'6" from South East Missouri State, with 10 points and **James Penn**, from Tennessee State and Bethel College, adding another 10 points to the Army's overpowering attack.

Navy actually led for a brief few seconds late in the first half when Cooper hit a 30-footer to give his team a 36-34 lead. Army roared back with two straight field goals from Ralston to regain the lead that they never again relinquished.

At the half, they held a thin four-point, 53-49, margin.

With eight minutes gone in the second half — twelve minutes remaining in the game — it looked as if Navy had run out of steam when Army opened up a 16 point lead, their biggest of the night.

But again, the outside shooting of Cooper along with 6'7" **Greg Sten** from San Carlos, CA, 22 points closed the gap and kept the Navy in the contest until the final minute of the game.

In the second half of a double header Tuesday night, the Marine Corps battled the Air Force on fairly even terms during most of the first half with the lead changing hands nine times in a six minute period.

Steady, consistent play on offense and a scrappy defense moved the Corps out to a 40-27 lead by half time and they held on in the face of a determined Air Force attack in the second half to take a 70-64 verdict.

**James Williams'** 15 points was tops for the Corps while **Ron Brown** hit for 22 points to pace the Air Force in defeat.

### Army - Navy Box Score

| Army Name | FG | FT | F | TP |
|-----------|----|----|---|----|
| Lewis     | 1  |    |   | 2  |
| Ralston   | 15 | 8  | 1 | 38 |
| McKithen  | 2  | 0  | 0 | 4  |
| Pierce    | 2  | 0  | 3 | 4  |
| Rogers    | 5  | 0  | 1 | 10 |
| Forney    | 2  | 1  | 3 | 5  |
| Brown     | 4  | 1  | 0 | 9  |
| Love      | 0  | 1  | 0 | 1  |
| Russell   | 4  | 0  | 5 | 8  |
| Banks     | 0  | 0  | 1 | 0  |
| King      | 6  | 2  | 4 | 14 |
| Penn      | 4  | 2  | 3 | 10 |

| Navy     | FG | FT | F | TP |
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| Jones    | 4  | 0  | 1 | 8  |
| Johnson  | 3  | 0  | 2 | 6  |
| Young    | 4  | 0  | 2 | 8  |
| Marshall | 1  | 0  | 1 | 2  |
| Cooper   | 12 | 1  | 2 | 25 |
| McGuire  | 2  | 0  | 2 | 4  |
| Harris   | 1  | 0  | 0 | 2  |
| Carson   | 1  | 0  | 1 | 2  |
| Odom     | 5  | 2  | 5 | 12 |
| Carter   | 0  | 0  | 5 | 0  |
| Sten     | 8  | 6  | 1 | 22 |
| Wallace  | 3  | 0  | 0 | 6  |

### WEDNESDAY NIGHT'S GAMES

Army 96 — Air Force 92  
Marines 105 — Navy 101 OT

## Spring Golf Tourney

The Commander's Spring Golf Tournament will be held Wednesday and Thursday, April 5-6. Teeoff begins at 8 a.m. both days. The tourney is open to all active duty military personnel assigned or attached to the Presidio. Call ext. 4120 or 5032 for registration.

## Flame Soccer Results

The luck of the Irish prevailed in the San Francisco Flame Soccer League under eight division as the Shannon Rovers defeated the Presidio Strikers, 2-0. The Strikers record now stands at eight wins and three losses.

Striker goalie **Greg Keller** was credited with many brilliant saves which kept the Rovers from scoring more goals. Assisting the goalie and breaking up other Rover scoring drives were Striker defensemen **Andy Leon**, "**Big John**" **Hagemeister**, **Tim Cason**, **Dawson Rorick**, and **Timmie Sexton**.

The valiant Striker offense led by **Rocky Wicks**, **Jodie Cason**, "**Little John**" **Stankewicz** and **Michael Stojic** never gave up trying to score, but the outstanding Rover defense continually stopped them just short of the goal. The Rovers scored their first goal midway between the first half and then turned around and scored their final goal in the second half.

The Strikers are looking forward to getting back on the winning trail when they play the Vikings Seals Saturday, April 1, on the Presidio's Paul Goode Field at Noon.

## Presidio Tiger's

The Presidio Tigers, in their race for a Junior Soccer League championship, played an aggressive second half to romp over the Lions, 3-0.

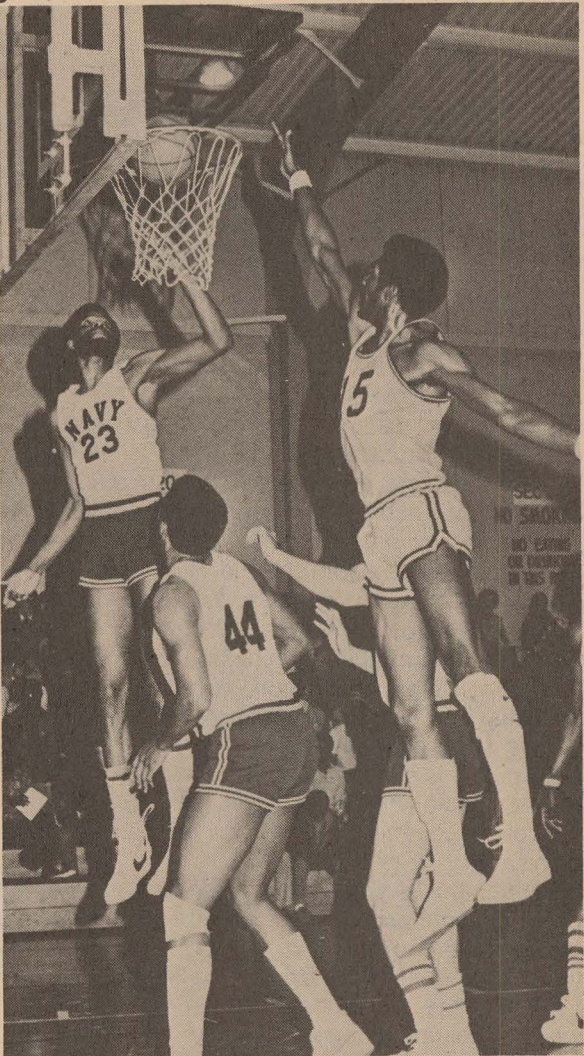
The two teams met at high noon last Saturday at the South Sunset Playgrounds for the battle to remain undefeated. The Lions came into the game as Division leader against the less experienced but spirited Tigers. Urged on by the encouragement of coaches and parents, the Tigers fought off repeated attempts by the Lions to score a goal during the first half.

During the second half, the Tigers came out roaring and took the game to the Lions. Before the Lions could recover from the Tigers' charge, **Vaughn Scott** scored twice and **Randy Kim** pumped one goal past the bewildered Lions.

Spectacular saves by Fullbacks **Ashley Williams**, **Kris Marquis** and **Pat Quinlan** kept the Lions from penetrating and scoring. Those times that the Lions did have the opportunity to strike at the Tigers' goal, **Robert Linder's** sure hands stopped the ball from crossing the goal.

The Tigers' Forwards and Wings were not intimidated by the more physical Lions. **Paige Knight**, **Scott Farrow**, **Bo Branch** and **Dan Griffin** moved the ball through the Lions despite heavy pressure by their opponents.

The next game for the Presidio Tigers will be Saturday, March 25, against the South San Francisco Pumas at 1 p.m. The game will be played at South San Francisco High School field.



Forward, **James Penn**, (15), goes up for two of his ten points in the Army's opening night 105-97 victory over a surprisingly strong Navy team. Penn, stationed at Fort Benjamin Harrison, IN, played for four years at Bethel College in McKenzie, TN and Tennessee State University, prior to entering the Army. He has been with the All-Army team for three years. (US Army Photo by Judy Renouf)

## Women's Softball

Plans for the Presidio Women's Softball League are in the works. The program is planned for women, military and dependents. Games will be played against Bay Area teams mostly at the Presidio once or twice a week and on one weekend day beginning in late April. Coaches and players are invited to an organizational meeting at Library Field, Monday, March 27, at 6 p.m. For further information please contact **Lynn Castro** at 587-4711 after 5 p.m., or visit the Sports Office in the Post Gym (see Sports Editorial.)

# Off the Field

Women at the Presidio have often griped long and hard over the fact that the sports programs here have been oriented toward and dominated by men.

In many cases, this complaint has in the past been valid. It has really only been within the last couple of years that women have been given serious consideration when sports programs have been formulated — not just at the Presidio but in nearly every segment of our society.

As our society has become more conscious of women's rights, many programs, to include sports, have received more emphasis and attention.

Now, after all of the above verbiage in introducing my gripe this week, we finally get down to the nitty gritty.

Frank Castro, through the STAR PRESIDIAN, announced several weeks ago that the Presidio would, for the first time, field a women's softball program. With all of the gripes we have heard in the past, the turnout was expected to be significant.

The first weekend of registration, a grand total of NINE, that's right ladies, only nine of you showed up. This raises a very obvious question — DO YOU REALLY WANT A SPORTS PROGRAM???????

Castro says that he and his staff are prepared to field three teams from the Presidio and one more from Fort Baker if there are enough ladies interested. He also intends to invite several teams in from the San Francisco area to round out a good-sized league. Most of the games will be played right here, cutting down the amount of time spent on the road.

Monday night is your next chance. Registration and an attempt to put together a league will be made at 6 p.m. at the softball field behind the post library.

How about coming out and showing that you care? Don't let APATHY win another battle.



# Crime Scene

During the past several weeks, the Military Police Investigations Section, in coordination with the U.S. Army Criminal Investigations Division, has been conducting an investigation into the alleged Larceny of Government Property from the Post Commissary.

Initial investigation disclosed that several individuals, who shop at the commissary, were obtaining their food at approximately one-half the listed price. This was accomplished with the aid of several cashiers, who would charge only half of listed prices.

With the help of concerned people who came forward with information pertaining to this crime, and a comprehensive investigation, several subjects were identified and subsequently apprehended.

This type of response shows that the Presidio Community is starting to become involved in protecting the people who live and work in this area. With the help of the community, a lot of criminal activity can be eliminated.

Remember, if you have any information that concerns criminal activity, contact the Military Police Investigations Section at ext. 4217/4721. Your information will be held in the strictest confidence.

This is the first appearance of Crime Scene, a weekly column brought to you by the Provost Marshal's Office. This column will attempt to keep readers up to date on the latest events and crime prevention techniques.

# Doing the Bus Stop



U.S. Army Photo

Work is nearly completed on Presidio's newest bus shelter, located on Lincoln Blvd. across the street from the bank/post office.

## ... News Break ...

### Uniform Changes

The seasonal changeover period for the wear of military uniforms has been abolished. The type of Class 'A' uniform to be worn is now left strictly up to the individual's discretion.

The change only applies to the seasonal changeover policy and does not affect other uniform policy. Soldiers should use common sense when choosing a uniform for wear by taking weather conditions into consideration.

This policy does not restrict Commanders from prescribing a specific uniform for wear during ceremonies, formations, particular job functions, or other similar situations.

### ADAP Relocation

ADAP (Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program) has relocated from Bldg. 276 to Bldg. 909, which is located on Marine Dr., opposite the U.S. Coast Guard Station, Ft. Point, ext 3784.

### Photography Contest

The deadline for submission of entries for the Inter-service Photography Contest, at the Presidio level is noon, April 8.

All military personnel, retired military, dependents and DA civilians on the Presidio are eligible to compete. Entries must be original monochrome prints, color prints, or color slides taken within the last two years.

This is the first time dependents, retired military and civilian personnel have been allowed to compete with the active duty military at the Presidio level. This is the only level where they will be judged.

Awards for 1st, 2nd, and honorable mention will be given at the Presidio level, and at each level in the active duty military competition. The contest is held yearly so that both amateur and experienced photographers have an opportunity to compete on a worldwide basis and have their skills appraised by prominent judges in photography.

Monochrome prints, color prints, or color slides are the three main categories in the competition. Up to four entries are permitted for each category. Entries can be chosen from these topics: general, which includes still life; closeups; portraits; scenic shots, including landscapes, buildings, and various types of architecture; and finally, experimental photos i.e., photos taken from various angles, exposures, etc. These four selections can be mixed to the preference of the entrant.

Judging will be based on impact, freshness of approach, ability to communicate and technical skill.

Further details and entry forms may be obtained from the Photo Craft Shop, Bldg. 122 or by calling exts. 4497/3445.

### Young Life Activities

All Presidio junior and senior high young people are invited to attend a Youth Rally on Sunday, April 2, from 2:30 to 5:30 p.m. at the Religious Activities Center (Bldg. 682).

This event will include volleyball, basketball and other games, food and musical entertainment by Darby Slick, a local gospel rock musician.

Presidio Young Life Activities for April and May include a trip to the Santa Cruz Boardwalk on Saturday, April 8. This all day excursion is open to all junior and senior high schoolers at the Presidio. The cost will be \$3.50 per person plus a sack lunch. Departure and return times will be announced.

The Annual Black Bart Raft Race will be held in Sacramento on Friday and Saturday, May 12-13. Senior High Young Lifers are now designing and building inner-tube rafts for this event.

Information about summer church camps, both Protestant and Catholic, can be obtained from Ann Hayman, the Chapel Youth Coordinator at the Religious Activities Center (Bldg. 682). CYO camp deadline for registration is Monday, May 15, and the Young Life Woodleaf camp has a quota of 20 campers, so registrations need to be made early. Camping information for Junior High's is also available by calling the Religious Activities Center.

### Harrassing Phone Calls

Some residents of Presidio Family housing have been victimized by "harrassing" phone calls of late. In some cases the caller remains completely silent when the phone is answered, in others, the caller makes obscene remarks. The harrassing calls usually occur between 4 p.m. and midnight.

Several methods of discouraging these calls are effective. One way is to blow a loud whistle into the telephone receiver, that's usually very effective). Another idea is to leave the phone off the hook for awhile, thus demoralizing the caller who tries to repeat the prank. A more drastic way of ending harassment is to have a telephone number changed.

The military police can also assist. They require the following information if available: type of call received, identifying characteristics of the caller (voice, male/female, ethnic background), times/dates calls were received, person(s) that could be involved with the telephone calls, and background sounds/noises that can be detected.

Any information as to the identity of a person making harrassing telephone calls should be directed to the Presidio Military Police Investigations Section, at exts. 4217 or 4721.

### Cinco de Mayo

Cinco de Mayo, Mexico's independence day, is rapidly approaching. This is a day widely celebrated among those of Mexican descent. All members of the Presidio Community with ideas and energy for developing a program to celebrate the anniversary are urged to contact SSgt. Davis of the Equal Opportunity Office at extension 3701 or 4602.

## Movies

#### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, March 24, It's Alive (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, March 25, Clarence, The Cross-Eyed Lion (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, March 25, The Sting (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, March 26, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, March 27, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28, Rollercoaster (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 29, Bruce Lee: The Man/The Myth (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 30, Greased Lightening (PG), 7 p.m.

#### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, March 24, End of the World (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, March 27, The Gauntlet (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, March 28, Kid Vengeance (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, March 29, The Sellout (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, March 30, The Models (R), 7 p.m.

#### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Monday, March 27, The Sellout (PG), 7 p.m.

Friday, March 31, Rollercoaster (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 1, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.

#### BRUCE LEE: THE MAN/THE MYTH (PG)

This action-packed film recreates the personal and professional life of a cult hero who became a legend in his own time. Some elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

#### TELEFON (PG)

KGB agents Charles Bronson and Lee Remick pose as husband and wife to try to stop Donald Pleasance from activating a scheme against the US that was formulated before the Soviets adopted a policy of detente. Some elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

#### ROLLERCOASTER (PG)

Psychotic Timothy Bottoms, blackmailing amusement park operators for a million dollars, plants a bomb on a speeding rollercoaster full of fun seekers. Safety Inspector George Segal and Special Agent Richard Widmark are on his trail. Can they trap Bottoms before he blows up another rollercoaster? Some material may not be suitable for children.





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## The Woman Cop Men Respect

by Frank Noto

In civilian clothes, this slim, 5 foot 9 inch brunette does not look like a cop. But once dressed in MP uniform, with a .38 caliber pistol strapped on, there is no longer any doubt — she's a cop, all right.

Sergeant Kristy D. Nelson of the 170th Military Police Company has earned a reputation as a tough cop while working her way up the ranks from private to NCO. That she is the only military policewoman to have advanced so far while assigned to the 504th MP Battalion attests to the fact that it hasn't all been easy going.

When she first came to the Presidio following AIT (Advanced Individual Training) in June of 1976, the professional reputation of enlisted MP women here ran from mediocre to poor. Sgt. Nelson explains the image problem: "Apparently a few of the women then did not want to work the road (law enforcement patrol duty) or get their hands dirty down at the motor pool. They had created a bad image for themselves; people here still talk about how those women wanted the guys to do their work for them. So females coming into the unit were always looked down on until they proved themselves; they had to show they could pull their own load."

The situation has turned around now, largely due to Sgt. Nelson's example as the only female NCO on MP line duty, and as the first female platoon sergeant in the battalion. Many of the women come to her now with their problems, and she sees a definite change in attitude: "They feel they're qualified and trained to do the same job as the man; what's more, they really want to."

Nelson doesn't feel that being a woman is a disadvantage in the law enforcement field. "Sure, a few men just don't want women in the Army at all, and those men may never change their attitude. But there aren't many like that in my unit," she explains.

Asked if being female made any difference working MP road duty, she stated "There's no real disadvantage. I know most women aren't as strong as men, but women are still physically able to do the job. There are always MPs available on backup if there is too much to handle — even guys need backup. I never hesitate to call for it, I'd rather have it there when it's not needed than not there when I need it ... but I've never really had to use physical force on the

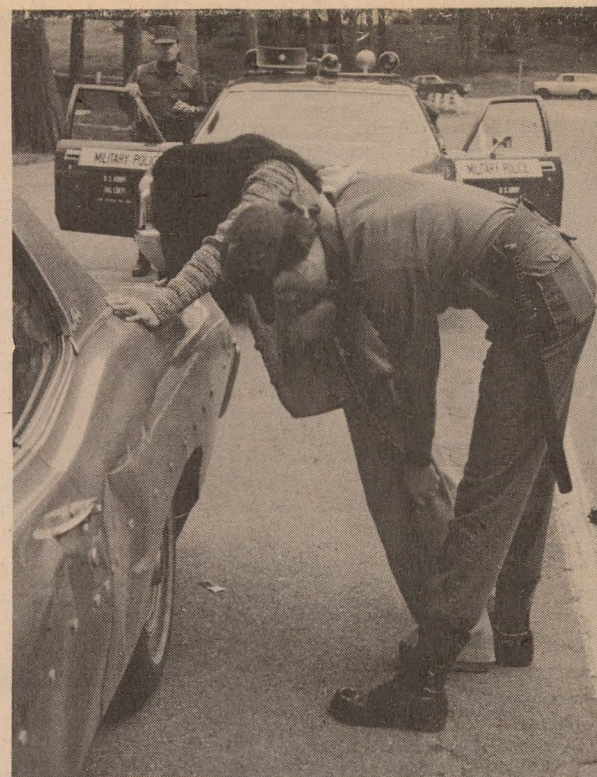


Squad Leader, Sgt. Nelson, briefs members of her patrol prior to beginning road duty at the Presidio. (US Army Photo by Ron Renouf)

job in any way. Sometimes a subject will get very aggressive, but you've got to just get a little threatening with them, get a little loud, and they come around. That's always been very persuasive ... it's always worked for me."

In fact, she thinks being a woman has its advantages in dealing with hostile subjects — "Women MPs are more likely to try and talk with a loudmouth, while the guys sometimes blow up. Temperwise, I think a female can often deal with people more easily."

Contrary to expectations, work in what is for women a non-traditional profession has not harmed Nelson's social life. "Most men in San Francisco don't really care about it, they are pretty liberal. But back home in Nebraska, people are amazed even when I say I'm in the Army," she adds. Though she often joins the MPs in her company when they go out together in a group, she avoids dating men from her company, "because you have to work with them, and dating sometimes creates problems on the job." One other rule she follows on dating is "I don't talk shop."



A female traffic offender suspected of carrying illegal items gets a "Shakedown" from Sgt. Nelson during a routine patrol (US Army Photo by Ron Renouf)



Letterman Army Medical Center experiences a daily traffic and parking problem. Here, Sgt. Nelson writes a citation for illegal parking at the Hospital's emergency entrance. (US Army Photo by Ron Renouf)

Although Nelson is very enthusiastic about policework, she didn't always want to be a cop. As a little girl, she dreamed of being a teacher, "But I was kind of a trouble-maker in school, so I changed my mind." After high school, she tried to get into law enforcement in Nebraska, but at age 18 was too young to be accepted there. That's when she opted for the Army, a decision she doesn't regret: "The Army has done a lot for me — I used to have this real bad temper, but the drill sergeants in Basic cured me of that. You only make of the Army what you want to make of it," she continues, "and if you only put your time in and collect a paycheck, that's all you'll get out of it."

When she first checked into the Presidio as a private, her goal was to someday make Sergeant, "That seemed impossibly far away then. Now, if I stay in the Army, my goal is to make Sergeant Major ... there aren't many women around who have ever done that," she grins.

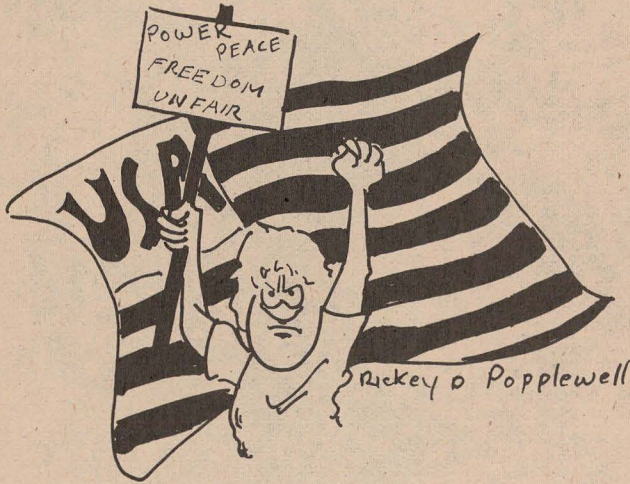


# Protest: Need for Change

by Ted Elisee

"I'm mad! I'm damn mad, and I'm not going to take it anymore!" Harsh words? Perhaps, but these were the words that the mad TV commentator in the movie "Network" used to call his millions of fans together to begin a massive protest against the society in which they lived.

Protest? For many, this word has a bad connotation. A person can protest, or they can express a desire for change. Each is different. Student demonstrations especially during the Vietnam era, brought about bad feeling towards the word "protest"; yet few people would say that "Ralph Nader is a protester" when he expresses a desire for change.



There are ways to affect the world around us, and to change it. The manner in which we express our desire for change is what is important. When we recognize a weakness in the system, it is our duty to rectify it. Only a true desire for change will give us the stamina to stick by our convictions.

Bishop Fulton J. Sheen, in his book, "Science, Psychology and Religion," stated, "Choice, not chance, is the power of the individual in expressing his own free will." How a person expresses a desire for change is up to the individual.

Mahatma Ghandi and Martin Luther King were true protesters. Yet, their desire for change was effected in a peaceful manner. The violence that erupted around them was a result of those who could not control their emotions. The violence hindered the true spirit of the movement for change in India and America.

Yet Ghandi and King, who protested, effected change. They are remembered, by many, as individuals who recognized a need for change, expressed their beliefs for it in a sane manner, and were listened to as a result.

The "Silent Majority" are individuals who see injustice around them, but for some reason, seem satisfied with living in their own little world letting others do the work or just not caring at all. The silent people will probably never affect the world around them, and may even hurt the world by remaining silent. After all, who can possibly hear silence?

Malcolm X was heard around the globe while he was preaching the use of violence against the system. His followers made it clear that they would stop at nothing to effect change — even extreme violence.

Violence, some say, is necessary to effect change. Violence does in fact sometimes effect change, but the true tragedy of this form of protest is that thousands of innocent people have suffered as a result of being in the wrong place at the wrong time. Many innocent people have died during violent protests. How many of these innocent people would have helped the cause of the violent protesters, if only given the opportunity to do so?

Express a desire for change if you need to. Protest, if you must. Say you are mad, damn mad and you are not going to take it anymore! You have the right to do so.

How can you do it in the military you say? Why the chain of command! You don't think you'll get any action? Perhaps a visit to the IG could bring about an answer to your desire for change. Don't forget the Human Relations Office! You could even write a Letter to the Editor of the Star Presidian or voice your opinion to Action Line.

All of these vehicles can work to provide you a voice in the military. All of them were established so that every individual would have an orderly procedure to surface problems and an opportunity to effect change.

But, before you set out to change the world, be sure the change is for the better. Be sure the method you use helps others, not hurts them. After all, everyone else wants to live in a safe and sane world, too!

## SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| HGYTEI | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| NOPKES | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| LPALOG | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| CHARSE | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |
| SOALS  | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ | ○ |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

Answer to last week's: BEHOLD, IMMUNE, MIS-HAP, PLURAL, GADGET  
ANSWER: HAMSTRING



What she sells on the seashore



Solution in next week's SP

# At War with Disease

Today we're at war with a disease that causes more American casualties than an all-out military conflict, says the American Heart Association. One out of every two deaths in the United States is the result of heart and blood vessel diseases.

Members of the Armed Forces have available one of the most comprehensive heart health-care programs in the Nation. In addition to readily-available literature and educational material, base hospitals conduct screening programs for high blood pressure, high cholesterol levels, diabetes, obesity and other potential high-risk factors.

Understanding the cause of heart problems is the essential first step toward preventing a heart attack. The next step is taking the time for a personal assessment, and answering the following questions:

- Do you smoke?
- Are you overweight?
- Do you lead a sedentary life?
- Is there a history of heart problems in your family?
- Do you have high blood pressure?

Any yes answer is a danger signal. Your doctor can assess your potential risk factors, and will work with you to lower your blood pressure if it is high, and adjust your diet if necessary. But individual action is all-important: change your life-style by reducing the stress situations in your life, exercise more, and stop smoking.

That may be a tall order, but it can pay off with a healthier heart.

Join the fight for your life against cardiovascular diseases. The medal you'll receive is intangible but real—a longer, improved life for yourself and your family.

## OOPS!!!!

In last week's Star Presidian we reported pregnant soldiers are automatically exempt from company duties. This statement is true **only** when recommended by the physician. Sorry!

# ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. The grassy area between Bldgs. 113 and 116 needs to be clean up ... steel pipes buried in the ground, thick vines and such. The Contractors should clean the area up since there is trash all over it.

SSG William Broshear

A. The areas between these two buildings were cleaned up and the grass cut on March 8 by the contract personnel. Thank you for your interest in this matter.

Robert J. Wold  
Acting Chief, Bldg. and Grounds Division

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**;

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## TV Allegations:

# Letterman Answers Critics

**EDITOR'S NOTE:** Recent reports on a San Francisco television station have questioned the quality of patient care at Letterman Army Medical Center (LAMC). Letterman officials deny any decrease in this quality but do admit to staff shortages. The following information was prepared by the Letterman Public Affairs Office in response to the television allegations.

Letterman is one of eight Army medical centers in the United States. The primary purpose of these medical centers is to provide complete medical care to all types of patients, including the most complicated and seriously ill. The secondary mission is to provide training in all areas of medicine for students, interns, residents and fellows.

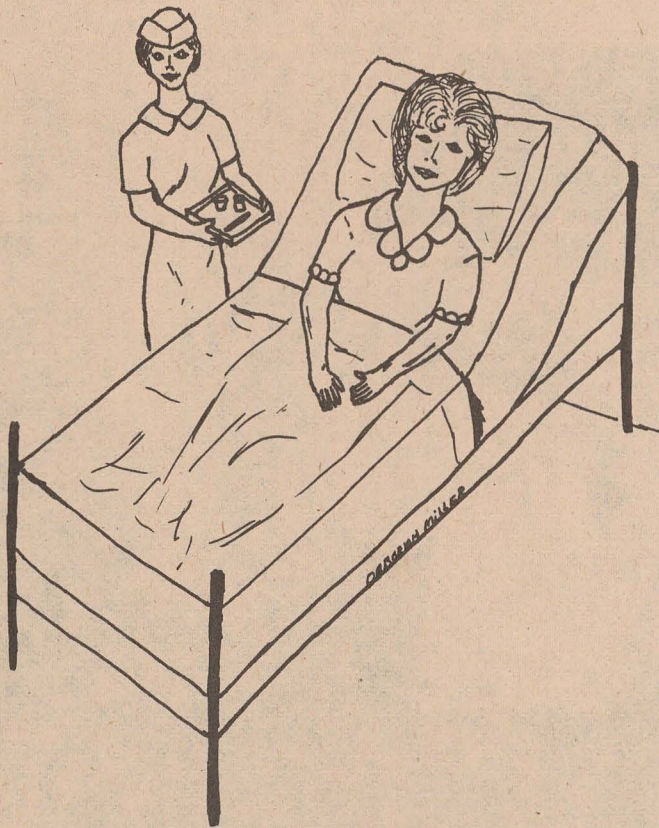
Due to budgetary restrictions and difficulties in recruiting doctors and nurses into the military during peacetime, there has been and continues to be a shortage of staff at Letterman, mostly in the area of nurses and paraprofessionals. This is further complicated by the high cost of living in the Bay Area which makes it difficult to recruit civilian nurses, inhalation therapists, etc., at present pay scales.

During periods of understaffing there are many steps which must be taken to adjust to the problem. In the case of LAMC, the number of hospital beds was decreased, and at times wards as well as an operating room were closed so that standards of care would not be lowered. In addition, when unusual circumstances arose which demanded more help, extra nurses were brought in from the nursing registry.

On occasion it has been necessary to refer more patients than normal to other local hospitals. In some cases, LAMC has issued statements of nonavailability to patients to qualify them for government funding (CHAMPUS) for care in a private hospital. This is normally reserved for patients who live more than 40 miles from a military hospital.

LAMC's chief of professional services and chief Intensive Care Unit (ICU) nurse saw these problems developing and wrote strongly worded letters to Washington calling for more nurses, long before recent reports on a San Francisco television station.

At no time has the quality of care at Letterman ever decreased from its high level. This is directly attributable to the pride and dedication of the military and civilian staff, both professional and nonprofessional, who have worked long and hard in order to care for patients.



Despite a television reporter's allegation to the contrary, only one person resigned due to what he considered understaffing, and even he had the following to say in his letter of resignation:

"In closing, I would again like to commend the Army Nurse Corps, 91Cs, civilian RNs and our excellent inhalation therapy department, plus all the dedicated and hard working auxiliary personnel that I had the pleasure of knowing and working with in ICU/CCU (intensive care). It is only their caring, dedication, conscientiousness and damned hard and over demanding work that has prevented many incidents, or possibly the unnecessary loss of lives at Letterman."

Letterman is a hospital comparable to any other hospital in the Bay Area, and just like any hospital it does have its problems. It treats these problems promptly and firmly.

Pseudomonas and other gram-negative bacteria are part of our normal environment and are present in our drinking water. During the summer of 1977, an increase in gram-negative infections was noted throughout the Bay Area, including Letterman. These

bacteria produce a serious infection only in seriously ill individuals, such as persons with cancer, advanced lung disease, and in older people — especially when recovering from surgery.

Attempts to keep patients with spreading cancer and severe lung disease alive have resulted in an increase in patients with gram-negative pneumonias such as pseudomonas. When these patients, already near death as a result of their underlying serious illness, contract pneumonia, death is often the result.

A recent TV news story stated that nine LAMC patients died from entirely preventable illnesses. Actually, the reporter misinterpreted the data provided: six patients, suffering from a total of nine underlying diseases, contracted pseudomonas pneumonia. Their average age was 68.3 years. Of the six, two had terminal cancer, two others had severe lung disease and two had severe abdominal disease. The infections were noted and treated promptly and investigated expeditiously by the infection control nurse. The patients were placed in separate isolation and additional nurses were hired to care for them.

In three of the cases, the infection was controlled and the patients were transferred back to the regular ICU where they died several weeks to several months later. LAMC's infection control program is responsive to problems in the hospital and corrective action is taken quickly, which was true in these cases.

Letterman is a proud institution staffed by fully qualified, dedicated, hard working personnel. When patients are admitted to the hospital they are given the best care possible. Most times, LAMC is successful in treating the problems, or at least making the patient more comfortable when death is imminent.

Letterman's staff and its patients are human; deaths do occur. But the hospital's health care team never stops trying to prolong life and cure illness. Responding to these problems, the quality of care for LAMC patients has always been — and will continue to be — on a par with other Bay Area hospitals. This care will not be compromised.

Due to the seriousness of the television station's allegations about the quality of patient care at LAMC, hospital authorities have requested six distinguished civilian physicians and a nursing authority on infection control to investigate the allegations. Upon completion of the investigation, the panel's report will be made public.

## One Man's Helping Hands

Story and Photo by Al West

It was a damp morning, the incoming fog bringing a chill with it in typical San Francisco fashion. Ken walked down the hill on the Presidio, little noticing the sharpness of the morning. To his right was the majesty of the Golden Gate Bridge, while straight ahead, at the bottom of the hill, stood the tiny pet cemetery.

The burial grounds were in sad shape. The weeds were high, the fence falling down, and the tiny wooden grave markers were faded, some beyond recognition.

The cemetery had seen better times in the past. The plot of land was first designated a pet cemetery in 1951 by LTG Swing, the 6th Army Commander at the time, and it was in good shape then.

The Post Engineers laid out the details and exact measurements of the cemetery and the Presidio Boy Scouts took care of it and buried the pets. A small fee of \$1.00 was charged on a onetime basis to pay the expense of maintaining the area.

But now that the cemetery is closed to new burials and most of the old families are gone, having moved to other military posts or retiring, there was no one left to take care of the small plots, which rapidly fell into a state of disrepair.

This is the view that met "Ken", who has asked us not to disclose his identity, on his early morning stroll. Since then, Ken, a retired Navy man who recently lost his own dog, has decided he would clean and repair the tiny cemetery in memory of his pet.

"I'm not looking for praise or fame," he explained. "I just want the pet cemetery to look good." Ken used his own retirement pay to buy the paint and lumber



needed to rebuild the markers.

Ken has had problems trying to piece together the names on the old rotted markers, but has had some success from photographs he has found. On some of the markers, where the names were completely un-

readable, he has painted hearts to show the love and devotion of the families.

The pets and most of their families are gone now... but, through the volunteer work of people like Ken, the love the animals gave in life will never be forgotten.



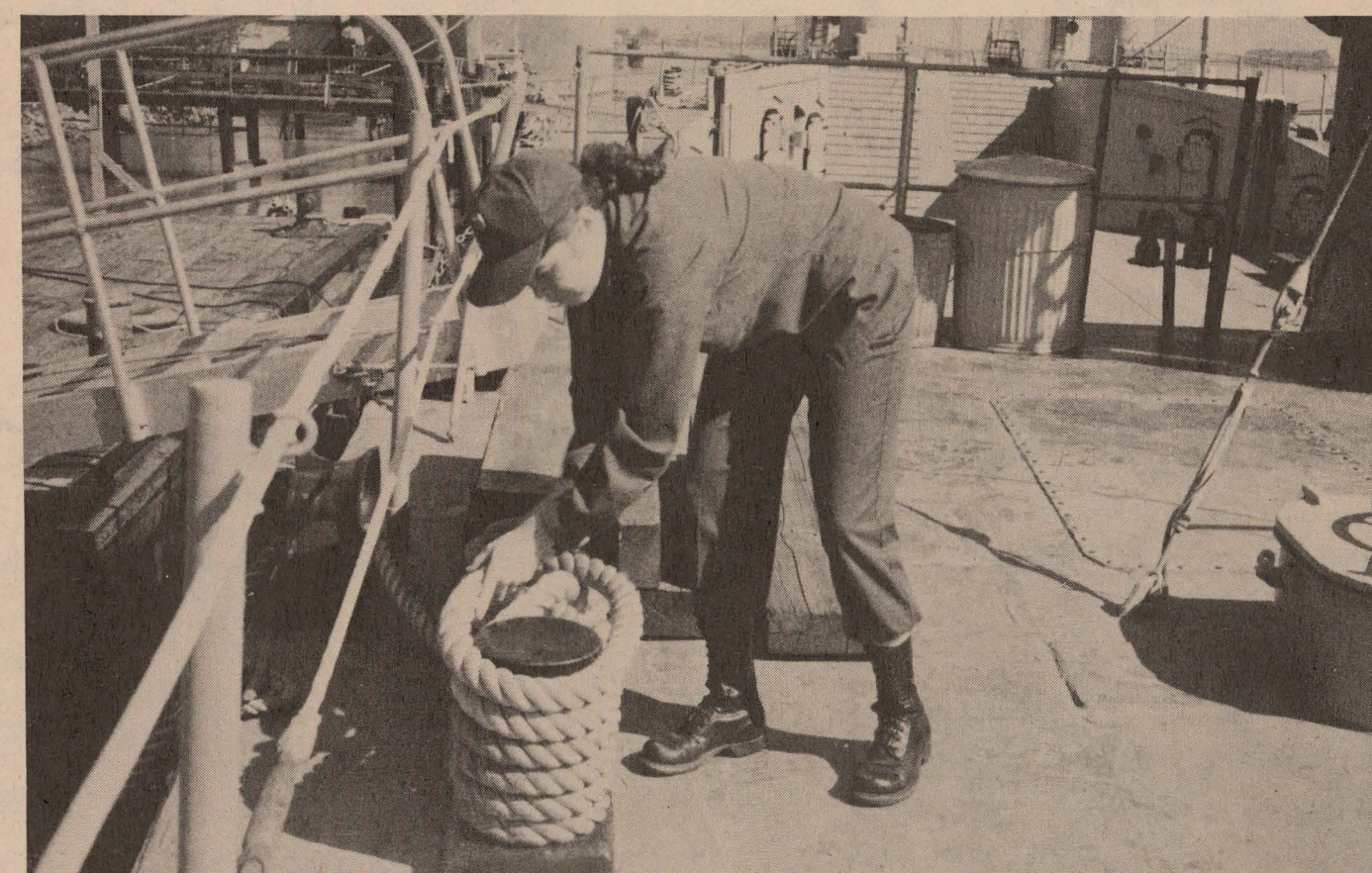
# Woman's It's A Man's World



Ship to shore phone contact is maintained during vessel operation.



Manual strength is used to guide the vessel to stable ground.



"Tying the Bit" assures vessel grounding.

**MAN THE DECK! OR IS IT WOMAN THE DECK?** The ever changing role of women in the Army is demonstrated by Sp4 Debbie Singleton, 21, of Eureka, CA. Specialist Singleton is trained as an operator of the Army's shallow port vessels, including the LCU (Landing Craft Utility).

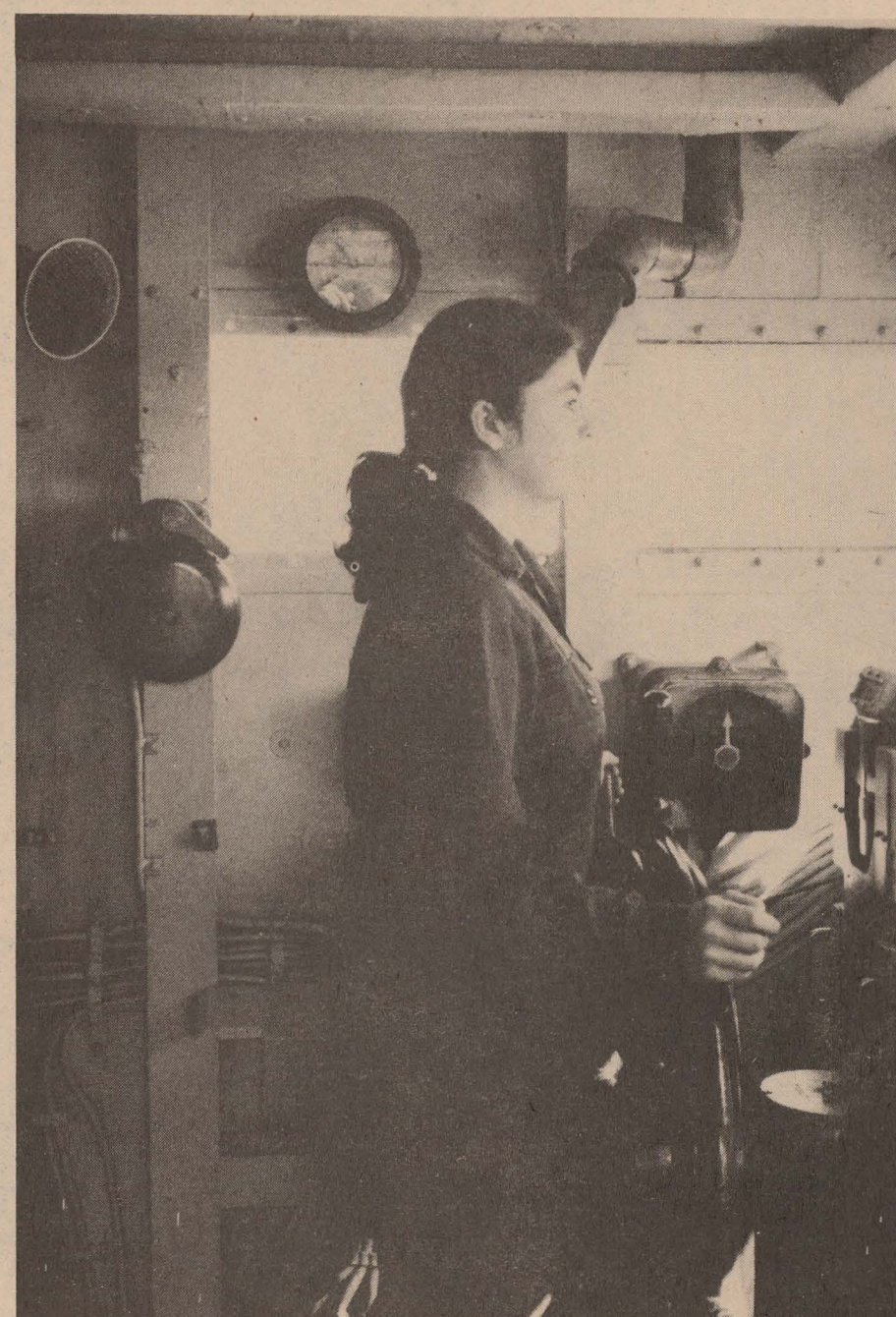
Debbie was trained as a Seaman First Watercraft Operator (61B) at Ft. Eustis, VA. She is now assigned to HQ Co., USAG, with duty station at Rio Vista. Debbie commented that she finds her duties enjoyable and challenging.

During the normal operation of the LCU, Debbie is required to stand watch, especially looking for dangerous objects in the water.

Debbie also "stands helm". That is, she makes periodic checks with the shore to receive weather conditions and last minute instructions.

At the end of the voyage, Debbie jumps ship to tie and secure the vessel. While performing deck maintenance, Debbie said, "I like the job, and I like the water, I'm glad I've had the opportunity to do this type of work in the Army."

Story and Photos by Ted Elisee



Standing helm is a critical phase of vessel operations.

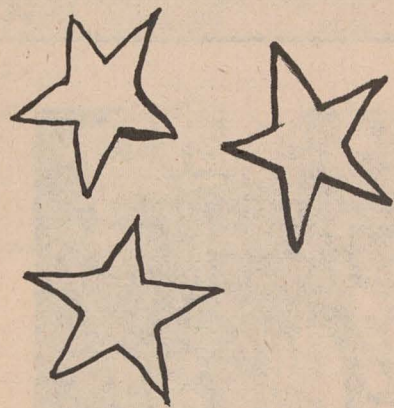


Standing watch is required for safety's sake.



Vessel maintenance is required to preserve a "ship-shape appearance."





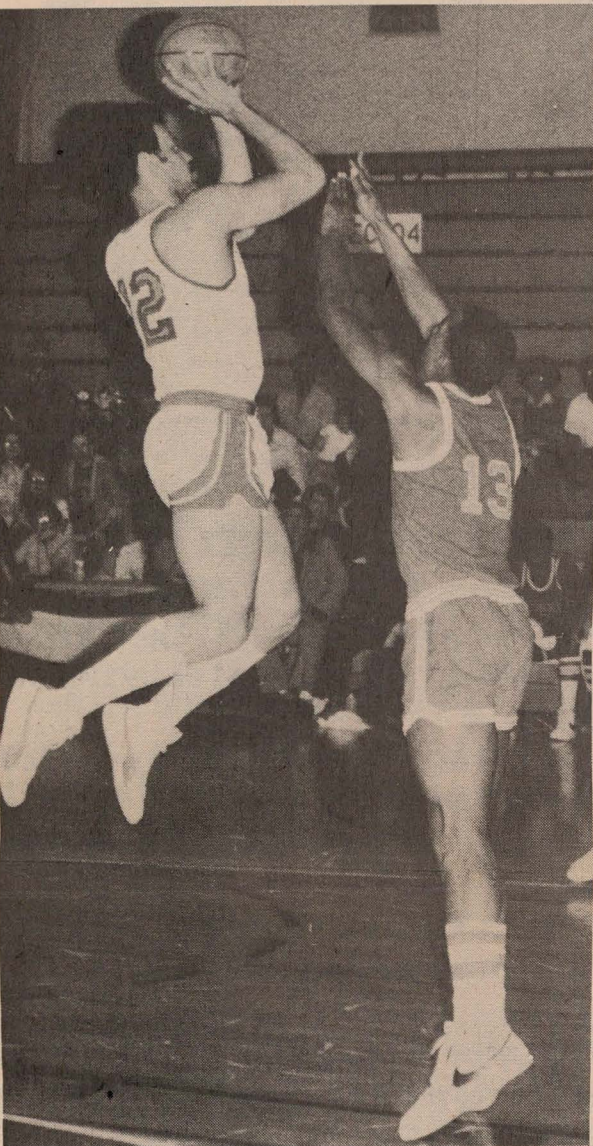
# Sports

Rick Applewell

By:  Ron Renouf

## Army Edges Marines, Takes Title

US Army Photos by Ron Renouf



Pierre Russell (12) does the flying act for the Army as he goes up and over James Williams (13) of the Marines during second half action.

The margin of victory was not as great as many had expected, but the end result was the same. For the 16th time in the past 18 years, the All-Army Basketball Team came away from the Interservice Tournament as the champions.

Following an opening night 105-101 victory over the host team, Navy, the Army took on the Air Force on the Treasure Island hardwood and shot them down by a 96-92 score for their second tourney victory.

The Air Force staged a threat late in the second half when, with 4:35 remaining on the clock, they tied the game at 36-36, took a two point lead, lost it and came back again to tie the game two more times before Army regained it for keeps with two minutes left before intermission.

During the second half of the contest, Air Force stayed close, never trailing by more than nine and coming within one point. But that one point difference which they closed to with a minute-and-a-half remaining in the game was the best they could do.

Jyrone Ralston hit for 17 of his 27 points in the second half. Also pacing the Army Team during the second half were Larry Rodgers with ten points and James Penn with eight.

The win over the Air Force, coupled with the Marine Corps' second win of the tourney, this one over the Navy by a 105-101 overtime verdict, set up the final night battle of undefeated teams.

The Corps started the game in high fashion, jumping off to an early 8-4 lead. The sweet taste of a

possible upset disappeared quickly, however, as Army first tied it up at 8-8 before going on to run up 14 straight points before the Marines could come up with an answering basket.

From that point on it was all All-Army. With Jyrone Ralston and Larry Rodgers picking up 46 of the Army's 74 points during the game, that early game lead was never lost.

When the Marines Zone defense stopped Ralston from getting inside, Rodgers picked them apart from outside. When the zone pulled out in an attempt to deal with Rodgers, Ralston drove back under the basket to hit again.

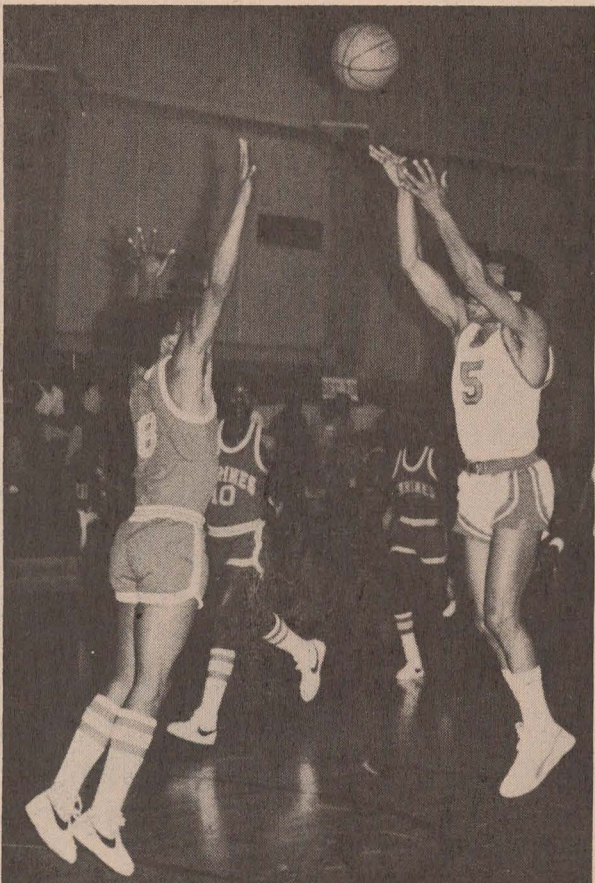
When the final whistle blew, Army had its third straight win of the tournament, 74-66 and 16th Interservice Basketball Championship Title in the past 18 years.

A total of seven members of this year's All-Army Team were picked for the Interservice Team which will represent the military next week in the AAU National Finals before going on to Brussels, Belgium and the NATO Tournament there.

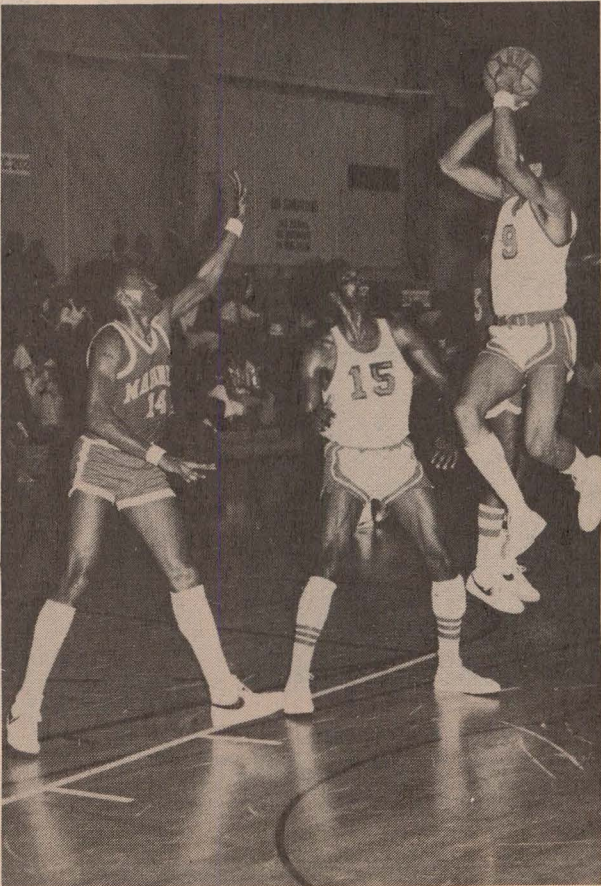
Selected were: Jyrone Ralston, Larry Rodgers, Alford Forney, Eddie Brown, James King, James Penn, and Pierre Russell.

### TOURNEY BOX

| NAME     | FG  | FT | F  | TP  |
|----------|-----|----|----|-----|
| Banks    | 0   | 0  | 0  | 0   |
| Ralston  | 33  | 19 | 4  | 85  |
| Pierce   | 5   | 3  | 4  | 13  |
| Rodgers  | 20  | 12 | 4  | 52  |
| Forney   | 6   | 3  | 2  | 15  |
| Brown    | 12  | 1  | 2  | 25  |
| Love     | 0   | 0  | 1  | 0   |
| Russell  | 12  | 5  | 9  | 29  |
| McKithen | 3   | 0  | 0  | 6   |
| King     | 14  | 3  | 6  | 31  |
| Penn     | 9   | 4  | 3  | 22  |
| TOTALS   | 117 | 50 | 36 | 284 |



Tournament high scorer, Jyrone Ralston (5) adds two more points to his total as he gets over Marine defender, George Beard (8)



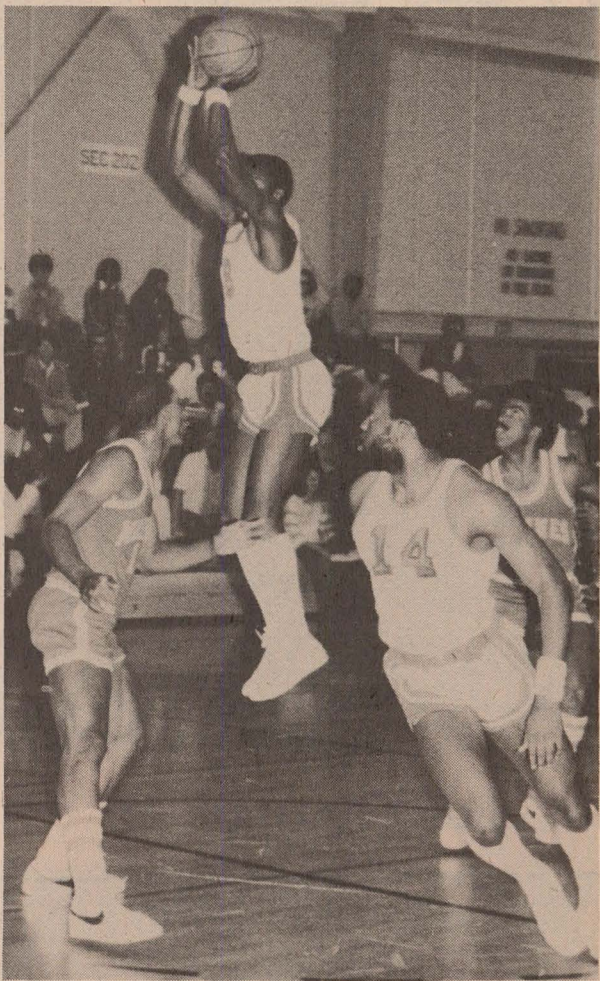
Kim Harris (14) is too late with too little as Al Forney (9) gives the Army another field goal.

### TOURNAMENT SCORES

Tuesday: Army 105, Navy 101; Marine Corps 70, Air Force 64.

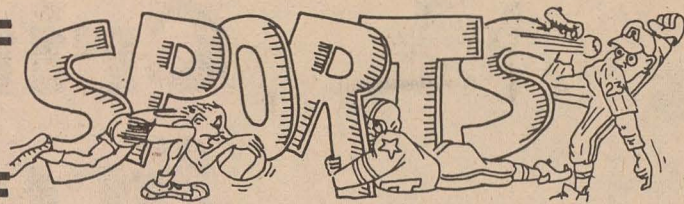
Wednesday: Army 96, Air Force 92; Marine Corps 105, Navy 101 (OT)

Thursday: Army 72, Marine Corps 66; Air Force 97, Navy 90.



Larry Rodgers (8) hits from behind the foul line as James King (14) drives for rebound position.





Tigers do it Again

The Presidio Tigers remained undefeated in the kids' Flame Soccer League as they hammered the San Francisco Pumas last week to the tune of 7-1.

The Pumas scored early in the first half to get on the scoreboard first, but the Tigers roared back with a pair of goals by Robert Linder and one more by Soctt Farrow to give the Tigers a 3-1 lead at halftime.

They started the second half where they left off as Dan Griffin hammered home a pair and Vaughn Scott and Randy Kim each tallied once to give the Tigers a victory.

Tomorrow, the Tigers face the Olympia Soccer Club in a battle of the undefeateds. Olympia is now 5-0-0 and the Presidio Tigers, 3-0-2. A Tiger win would put them in the drivers seat enroute to the league title.

The game is slated for Gellert Park, Daly City and will start at noon.

Racquetball Championship

The Post Racquetball Championships have now moved into the quarter-finals with four players still undefeated.

Maintaining perfect records are James Yamamoto (Dental), Ben Luck (Oakland), Art Foshey (Oakland) and Tom Nemeth (LAIR).

The Senior Division has been won by Beno Englist (ARR IX) over Gerald Baker (LAIR) by scores of 21-13 and 21-14. Senior Division play witnessed a number of very experienced players.

The finals of the Military Women's Division will pit Sheryl Hennessy ((Garrison) against Janet Brown (Letterman). This division saw a number of hotly contested semi-final matches as Hennessy defeated Brown earlier.

In the Civilian Men's section, Wayne Baker (FBI) will face either Karl Gaffney or Curtis Wilson (Sports Branch) or Wally Chung (Club Management section), depending on the outcome of remaining semi-finals competition.

Rosemary Baker and Jane Turnbull are expected to square off in the finals of the Women's Civilian Division.

Volleyball Standings

| Presidio League | W | L |
|-----------------|---|---|
| LAIR #1         | 5 | 0 |
| OARB            | 4 | 2 |
| LAMC #1         | 4 | 2 |
| USPHS           | 3 | 3 |
| LAMC #3         | 2 | 4 |
| LAMC #2         | 2 | 4 |

\*402d MPs dropped out

| Ft. Scott League | W | L |
|------------------|---|---|
| 6th Army         | 5 | 0 |
| USACC            | 4 | 1 |
| 93rd MI          | 3 | 2 |
| LAIR #2          | 2 | 3 |
| FBI              | 1 | 4 |
| LAMC #4          | 0 | 5 |

Trout Plants

If water, weather and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Arroyo del Valle Reservoir
- Contra Costa County — Lafayette Reservoir
- Marin County — Phoenix Reservoir
- Santa Clara County — Uvas Reservoir, Coyote Reservoir, Sandy Wool Lake
- Santa Cruz County — Pinto Lake
- Solano County — Lake Chabot
- Sonoma County — Lake Ralphine, Spring Lake

Off the Field

Once again it's time to "Play Ball". Not much has changed. The Presidio Youth Program will for the first time this year affiliate with the PAL (Police Athletic League) Program during the spring season.

According to Frank Castro, this year's commissioner, they still need, as they do every year, more ballplayers, more coaches, more umpires and above all, more parents in the bleachers come game time.

But he has further assured me that the biggest change this year is that both bleachers will be full on a regular basis.

I think he lives in a tree.

After four years of watching the youth baseball program, attending a number of their games—no, I don't have a kid playing—I am convinced that nothing short of the second coming being staged at Pop Hicks Field would fill the bleachers—and then the Almighty would probably have a rough time competing with someone's favorite TV show.

I am further convinced that the youngsters that participate in the program—the youngsters that put a lot of hard work in an attempt to succeed and give their parents something extra to be proud of them over—are wasting their time. They're wasting their time because the parents obviously don't care.

If they did, more than a half-dozen would show up for the games. Even if they didn't like or understand baseball (the favorite excuse) they would be there to show their child that they approve of what he or she is doing; that they are proud of their accomplishments; and that they are supporting that child's efforts.

No, Frank, we don't agree with you. The bleachers are not going to be full. LETHARGY WILL TRIUMPH.

Ramblin' Sam



If you had the power to change anything in the world, what would you change, and why?

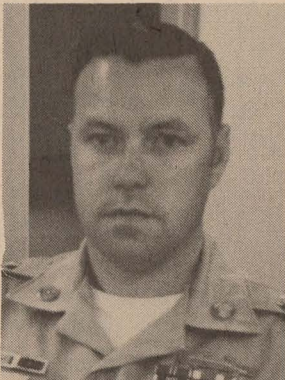
Sp4 Jo-Jo Dizon, Personnel Mgmt Specialist, COMPACT — "World poverty problems. I can't see why some people should starve while others are eating three meals a day. I wish for world unity and an end to the unemployment rate in the U.S."



SFC Thomas Reed, Supply Advisor, RGPSF — "There has to be a change in the NCO Corps. I would bring back esprit de corps and comraderie. Somehow the NCO does not fit into the overall picture as he should. Most of all, the NCO should be given responsibility, not just a position."



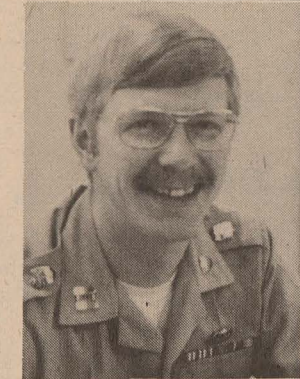
Sp6 Jim Gilmore, Electronics Engineering Asst, LAIR — "The Enlisted Pay Scales and Benefits. I would keep prospective personnel interested and retain present personnel. The number of ETs I see are staggering. I believe more incentive is needed to retain qualified personnel."



Jennifer Bracamonte, Admin Asst, RGPSF — "The Department of Defense, both military and civilian. If the United States were ever attacked, we would be caught with our pants down. I would improve military effectiveness by bringing back the draft. I would revamp the entire DOD from the top on down."

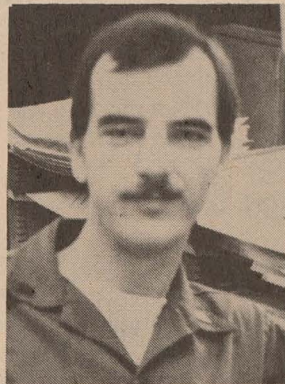


Jutta Madden, Computer Specialist, LAIR — "The tax structure. The State and Federal Government is bleeding the middle man dry."



Cpt. William T. Babylon, Ch. Pers Mgmt, COMPACT — "I currently do not have sufficient information to make such a far-reaching decision. I would not like to be put in a position with the power to influence the world's problems, without having the time, knowledge or experience to make sound decisions affecting them."

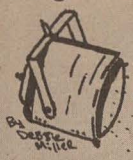
Grace Plummer, Librarian, LAIR — "Lower interest rates on home mortgages. They are usurious. These rates make it almost impossible for the average person to buy a house today."



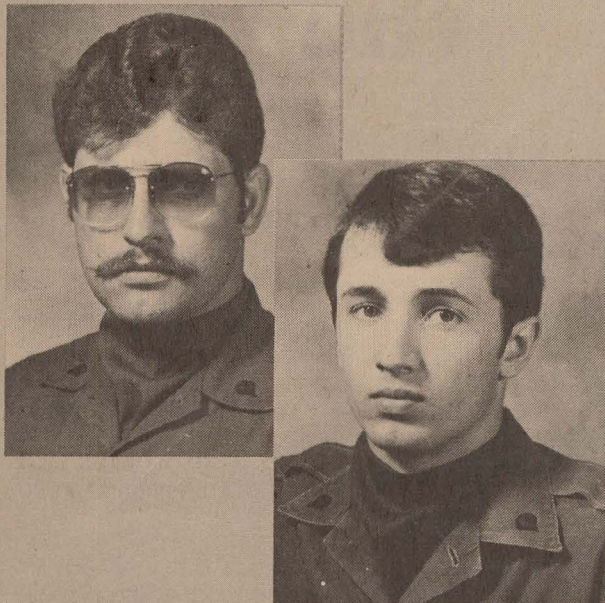
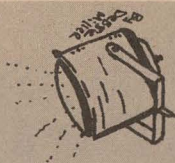
Sp4 Lloyd Falls, Desk Clerk, Hqs 504th MP Bn — "The medical situation for dependents. I would provide dental care for dependents. The fact that we have to pay for dental care is unfair."

RAMBLIN' SAM SAYS — I would change apathy in the world. Nothing annoys me more than words and no action.





# PSF Spotlights

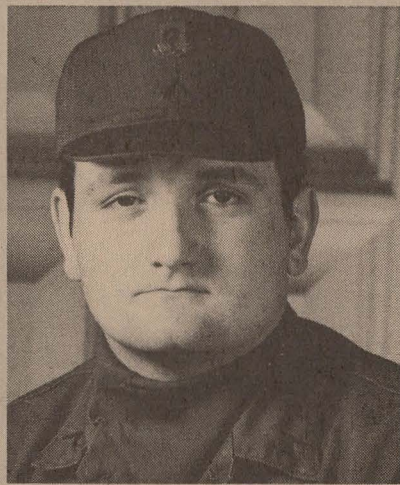


Department of the Army Certificates of Achievement were awarded to Sp4s Ronnie Cooper and Allen Kelley, of the 402nd MP Co., for their daring act of bravery recently. The duo rescued a cliff climber who had fallen from a ledge, seriously injuring himself, near Baker Beach.

The young Military Policemen were praised for their exceptional performance during the cliff-side episode. Cooper and Kelley descended the steep cliffs, administered first aid and directed airlift operations to evacuate the victim.

Because of the patrolmen's clear thinking and fast action, the victim, though badly injured, is now recovering well.

Letters of Appreciation were also awarded Lt. Delane Esplin, the duty officer, and Sgt. Phillip Scales, patrol supervisor, for supervising operations at the scene.



Pvt. David B. Kable, 18, of Terre Haute, IN., has been selected the 402nd MP Company's Solider of the Month for March. The young policeman entered the service shortly after graduating from Terre Haute South Vigo High School.

"...An outstanding solider ... one of the finest young troopers in the unit ... when given a task, you can be assured of its completion ... he works well with minimal or no supervision ... the officers and NCOs have nothing but praise for Pvt. Kable ... we plan to promote him as soon as possible." These are just some of the complimentary remarks made by members of his unit. Needless to say, these remarks reflect his qualifications. Soldier of the Month candidates are selected from among the company's platoons solely based on their job performance, appearance and general military knowledge.

## Crime Scene

Numerous incidents of vandalism have been reported on the Presidio recently. Post Gym #2 and the Officers Club were hit, as well as several other buildings.

The damage consisted mostly of broken windows, which were smashed by rocks, trash cans and metal poles.

Repairing the damage caused by vandalism is expensive. Labor for the replacement of one window is approximately \$14.00 per hour, and with the cost of labor and materials, replacing one window costs approximately \$100.00, which we, as tax-payers, ultimately pay for.

Any information concerning these acts of vandalism should be directed to the attention of the Military Police Investigations Section, ext. 4217/4721.

### ITT Hours Change

Effective Saturday, April 1, the hours of operation for the Recreation Center ITT Office will be: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday and Friday — 2 to 6 p.m.; Wednesday, 4 to 6 p.m.; Saturday, and Sunday — 2:30 to 6 p.m.

If you are planning a vacation to Southern California, the Recreation Center ITT Office has discount cards for Disneyland, Universal Studios, Magic Mountain, Knott's Berry Farm, Movieland Wax Museum, Lion Country Safari and many other recreational parks. Remember, these discount coupons are good for all military, dependents, Army civilians and retired personnel. For additional information, please call the ITT Office after 2 p.m. daily.

## ... News Break ...

### "Bubbles"

"Bubbles", the hippopotamus who recently attracted world wide interest to her plight after escaping from the Lion Country Safari Wild Animal Park near San Diego is being added to the animal mural at Creations Unlimited. Sandy Starr, the local artist who painted the mural for the children's section will be adding a portrait of Bubbles to the "zoo".

Children of all ages are invited to watch Sandy at work Saturday, April 1, and Tuesday, April 4, during normal hours of business, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Bldg. 558.

### Education Briefings

The Universal College Program coordinator will hold two briefings concerning Azusa Pacific College's Associate of Arts Degree program. The first one will be held Tuesday, April 4, at the LAMC Education Center at 2 p.m. The second briefing will be held in Torney Hall, Wednesday, April 5, at noon. All interested personnel are invited to attend.

### Fire Dept. Classes

The Presidio Fire Department is sponsoring a three day arson/fire investigation school starting Tuesday, April 11. The course will be given by the California State Fire Marshal's Arson and Bomb Investigation Unit from Sacramento and will cover structural, vehicle, and wildland fire investigation. This is the first time that a course of this type has been sponsored by the Post.

The national problem of arson has drawn attention in the press and Congress. It is estimated that annual losses exceed \$10 billion, and 1000 persons, including 45 firefighters, perish each year in arson fires.

### "A Cappella"

The Main Chapel's 11 a.m. service Sunday will be brightened by the Marcos de Niza High School choir. The high school, which is located in Tempe, AZ, has a large, well-rounded musical program, and several choirs. The best of these, the "A Cappella" choir, is composed of the 52 most select singers at the school, who participate in over 35 concerts annually.

### Library Week

Armed Forces libraries will be observing National Library Week April 2 - 8. This is the time when book lovers, librarians and publishers join hands in focusing attention on libraries — their accomplishments and their needs.

The Presidio Library System (Main Post Library, Bldg. 386 and Letterman Branch, Bldg. 1100, Room 104) offers reference and reader's advisory services, children's programs, new stereo music systems (AM-FM radio, cassette recorder-player, stereo phonograph), art prints, a large record collection, foreign language books and recordings, best sellers — fiction and non-fiction, current periodicals, military science books, retirement information, booklists, bibliographies, etc. Something for everyone.

Open House will be held on April 2 and 7, at the Main Post Library, Bldg. 386 from 12-2 p.m. Everyone is invited to join in celebrating National Library Week.

### Ping Pong Tourney

The Ping Pong Tournament sign-up period will end on Tuesday, April 11 at 10:30 p.m. Any Military personnel who wish to participate in this event are urged to come into the Recreation Center, Bldg 135, and sign up NOW! The tournament will take place on Saturday, and Sunday, April 15 and 16. For additional information dial Ext. 2000/5420 after 2:30 p.m.

### Gourmet Lunch

Last year's outing to the Alta Mira Hotel in Sausalito proved to be such a success that there will be a repeat performance for the Letterman Women's Club Luncheon, Thursday, April 13. The LAIR wives will host the luncheon which starts with a social hour at 11:30 a.m. and lunch at noon. Carpools will leave the main theater parking lot at 11 a.m.

Lunch will include a choice of crab or chicken crepe, mixed green salad, and chocolate souffle cake. Please make your reservation by April 8, stating choice of entree, and include a check for \$8.20 (tax and tips included) to the Letterman Women's Club, Mrs. Ginny Amos, 328-A Infantry Terrace, PSF, CA, 94129.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, March 31, Greased Lightning (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 1, Baker's Hawk (G), 2 and 7 p.m.**  
**Sunday, April 2, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, April 3, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, April 4, Final Chapter, Walking Tall (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, April 5, The Other Side of Midnight (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, April 6, Maniac (PG), 7 p.m.**

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday, March 31, It's Alive (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, April 3, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, April 4, Roller-coaster (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, April 5, Bruce Lee: The Man/The Myth (PG) 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, April 6, Greased Lightning (PG), 7 p.m.**

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

**Monday, April 3, Greased Lightning (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Friday, April 7, Baker's Hawk (G), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, April 8, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.**

### THE WORLD'S GREATEST LOVER (PG)

This outrageous but touching comedy concerns a neurotic baker who follows his dreams of fame and romance to Hollywood. There a talent show is under way to find the world's greatest lover to star in films as a Valentino rival. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### THE OTHER SIDE OF MIDNIGHT (R)

John Beck, an American flier in wartime France, promises marriage to Marie - France Pisier. He returns to the States and marries Susan Sarandon. Pisier becomes a model, but her dreams are shattered when she learns of Beck's marriage and her own pregnancy. Later they renew their affair and plot to murder Sarandon. There is a surprise ending.

### FINAL CHAPTER WALKING TALL (R)

Logan Ramsey (Witter) is so driven by hate for Buford Pusser (Bo Svenson) for having ruined his million dollar racket, he can think of only one thing — kill Pusser. When Pusser loses his office to a liberal in the county election he is approached by a Hollywood producer who wants to make a picture based on his life and a chance to play himself in a sequel. Driving home, he loses control of the car and is thrown clear just before the car explodes.





# Star Presidian

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## Reforestation:

# Out With the Old, In With the New

by Lynn Ligon

At an installation where history literally hangs in the air, it is hard to have a day pass when some relic from the past doesn't cross our path. The cannons in front of the Post Museum, the Museum itself, the Officers Club, Crissy Field, Fort Point, all these and many, many more are reminders of a bygone era on the Presidio. Yet, there is a 'living history' that surrounds us which may overshadow all past events and which is such a part of our daily lives that we tend to overlook it. That 'living history' is indeed 'living,' for it is the trees, themselves, to which we refer. For, you see, the Presidio wasn't always the lush green area it is today.



**Rudolph Choun, Post Agronomist, decides which trees will be eliminated or replaced. (US Army photo by Lynn Ligon)**

"It is a bleak and windy situation, not desirable as a station." This is how Captain E.D. Townsend, assigned to the Presidio in 1852, described the post. It had changed little since 1776, when Lieutenant Jose Joaquin Moraga brought a group of Spanish colonists to the sand dunes and barren hills overlooking the San Francisco Bay. With few trees and little grass to protect it from the elements, the Presidio was frequently swept by wind and sandstorms. This, of course, did not help the adobe buildings constructed by the early Spanish and Mexican troops, nor did it help morale. It was not until the U.S. Army took over the post in 1846 that any real effort was made to create windbreaks and provide ground cover.

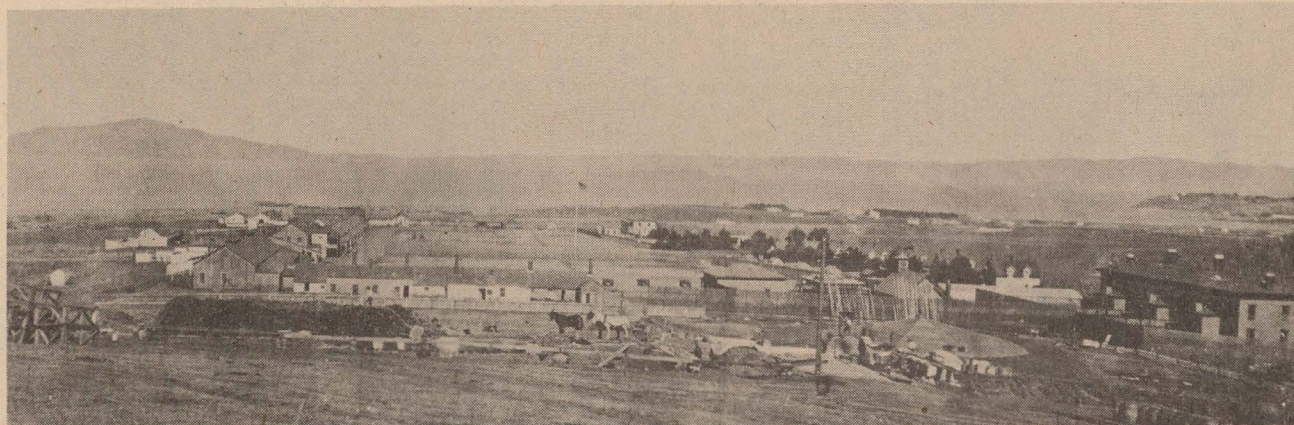
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**" . . . trees were planted to create windbreaks and enhance the view . . . "**

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Inspired by recent technological advances in forest management, by innovative experiments at Golden Gate Park, and by the ideas of Army Engineer Major W.A. Jones, the Presidio initiated a beautification program in the 1880s. Trees, fast growing grass and ivy all were planted for both practical and aesthetic purposes. Over 60,000 trees were planted to create windbreaks and enhance the view. Among the varieties originally selected were Acacia, Monterey Cypress, Eucalyptus, Madrone, Monterey Pine, Redwood and Fir.

The trees were planted in such numbers because it was assumed that only a fraction of those planted would actually live. Surprisingly, the vast majority of the trees did live and flourish. That led directly to the problem we now face on the post: many stands of trees planted in the 1880s are



**Very few trees or shrubs dotted the Presidio landscape in the 1870s before the Army began its forestation program. (Photo courtesy of Presidio Army Museum)**

either at or approaching old age. These trees, many of which are either diseased or dying, take away vital moisture and soil nutrients from healthy trees, thereby shortening their life span. In addition, some older dying trees, in danger of falling, pose a safety threat to motorists and residents of post housing. And, perhaps most serious of all, new growth is all but impossible due to the tight bunching of stunted and diseased trees with healthy ones.

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**" . . . preserving the lush covering of the post was of prime concern . . . "**

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To confront directly the problem of the trees and the future of a 'green' Presidio, the post Facilities Engineer, Lieutenant Colonel J.G. Bechtold and his staff agronomist, Mr. Rudy Choun, developed a phased-step plan last year for the Presidio's Forest Management Program. The plan calls for the removal of dead and unhealthy trees and the selective replacement with new growth. As uncontroversial and easy as this sounds, the plan had to be given a great deal of thought. Preserving the lush covering of the post, of course, was of prime concern, but equally important was the interest certain to be generated by environmental groups in the area when trees would start coming down.

Recognizing the emotional nature of tree cutting on San Francisco's largest green space, and, at the same time realizing why it had to be done, the Post Commander, Colonel John D. Hamilton, Sr., had an inspiration: "Why not get the environmental representatives, the press, and forest management experts from the City together with our engineers to discuss the project prior to any actual cutting?" Thus, on an afternoon last November, all sat down to work out the pros and cons of the plan. The environmentalists and the forest management experts were impressed at the amount of planning that had gone into the project and they raised no objections. The media, too, reported the plan and praised the Presidio's long-range concern for maintaining the beauty that currently surrounds us and adds so much to San Francisco.

Originally scheduled to begin late last December, the project has now been postponed until the spring. The heavy rains and prior commitments of Co. D, 864th Engineers (who will do the heavy work) have caused this delay.

When the program does get underway, three areas on the post have been identified as being in need of immediate attention. The areas and scope of this initial phase of the Forest Management Program are as follows:

**Area 1:** Near Washington Boulevard and parallel to the No. 9 fairway on the golf course. Remove approximately 250 trees (most eucalypti) which are understory (suppressed and diseased) trees

**Area 2:** Near the intersection of Park Boulevard and Kobbe Avenue. Remove approximately 60 trees which are either dead or dying. New trees (incense cedar) will be planted.

**Area 3:** Below Inspiration Point (off Arguello Boulevard). Remove approximately 20 pine trees on upper portion of slope. The trees have been topped many times in the past to preserve the view. As a consequence, they are now unhealthy and unattractive. In place of these trees, low growing shrubs (toyon or California holly) will be planted.

Below the hill, approximately 30 stumps of topped eucalypti will be removed. Again, these trees have been topped numerous times to preserve the view and are now stunted and dying. Low growing shrubs will be planted in this area also.



**These trees, scheduled to be removed, are a part of the Presidio's reforestation program. photo by Jim Canfield**

The Presidio is far too beautiful to allow it to become what it once was — barren hills, so our program of Forest Management will continue. And, since it is a program dependent on nature, it must be flexible enough to deal with her whims and changes, such as the recent drought followed by unusually heavy rains.

History DOES hang in the air here, and the next time you pass one of the old cannons on post, look up at the trees on the ridges all around and consider the passing history they, too, have seen. Then, look at a newly planted sapling and consider what the future holds for it as we approach the 21st Century on the Presidio.



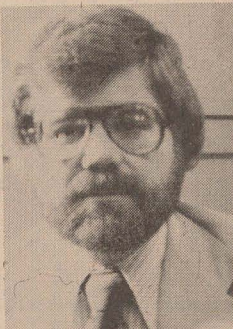
# Ramblin' Sam



## What do you think of the plan to reform the Civil Service?



**Eric Sahl - Assistant Curator, Presidio Army Museum**—"I believe that promotion based on time in grade and service only promotes stagnation and entrenchment in Civil Service. It also stifles a creative and workable government. Promotion based on merit might encourage those who are willing to work hard, and rid Civil Service of the incompetent and lazy. My personal opinion is that Civil Service needs the reform that President Carter suggests, and if I were President, I would make the same proposals."



**Ed Green, Museum Registrar, Post Museum** - "My feelings roughly reflect those of the President. Oftentimes in the system individuals aren't given the breaks they deserve, for bureaucratic reasons. Promotions in some agencies are rather rapid, but in others they are much slower. For equal work there should be equal pay. To some degree these proposals will fix up the system, but it's too massive to completely fix it."



**Marie Smith, Clerk-Typist, RREO** - "I don't think its justifiable to do away with the veteran's preference. They spend time in the service in defense of their country ... to take this benefit away later isn't fair. I'm afraid the other changes will be abused; people might get fired just because someone doesn't like them in the office."

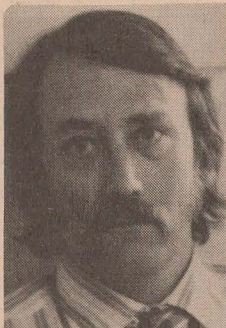
**Rick Miller, Civilian Personnel Officer** - "The proposed reforms should provide agency management with the necessary authority to carry out the full range of their responsibilities. At the same time, the establishment of the Merit System Protection Review Board will add an additional dimension to safeguarding the Merit System."



**John Sergeant, Labor Relations Specialist, CPO** - "There's a lot of misinformation going around. There were 21,000 government employees fired last year, according to the Government Employee Relations Report, not 226 as some folks have been batting around. I think the present system is adequate, that it's possible to fire civil servants now, and that it should be hard to fire civil servants. It's not the same as being fired by Standard Oil or Bank of America. I think employees ought to keep a very close eye on the final package, and not hesitate to write their representatives if they don't agree with it."



**Wanda Greer, Federal Women's Program Coordinator, EEO** - "The change in the veteran's preference will definitely help women. At the Presidio we have several women who were in the service who won't be helped by it, but in the Civil Service, as a whole, it will help women get hired and promoted faster. As for the other changes, no one really knows yet. But if they make it easier to discharge incompetent people, both men and women, we sure need it. The changes are long overdue—if it will improve the caliber of government employees, I'm all for it."



# Troop Talk

**51st Eng Det (Capt. CROFT)** — Newly arrived personnel are: **Sp4 Frank Raphael**, and **Pvt. Teresa Hayes** -----WELCOME!

**SSG Lance Kualii**, **Sp4 Danny Powell**, and **Sp4 Jack Monroe** are to be commended for their successful completion of the Armed Services Vocational Battery course.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn (Sp4 REYES)** — **James White** was promoted to **Sp4** and **Frederick Reed** received a lateral promotion to **Corporal** - Right on!

New arrivals welcomed to the command are: **PFC Jeffery Corder**, **PFC Steven Brownwolf**, and **Sgt. William Sapp**. Valuable losses to the command were: **Sgt. Dellouris May**, **SFC Roland Brooks**, and **Sp4 Michael Harris**.

Yesterday there was a change of command at the battalion. **Capt. Barbara Curtis** relinquished her command to **Lt. Manuel Martinez**. **LTC Eugene Siegel**, Bn Cdr, presided.

**HQ, Sixth Rgn, USACIDC (Capt. ACKERMAN)** — The HQ recently welcomed the return of **Sp5 Kelvin J. McDonald**, Admin Supervisor at Rgn HQS. McDonald was re-enlisted for three years by Col. C.J.

**Allen, the Rgn. Cdr. Mr. Samuel Campbell**, and **Ms. B.J. Sandler** were honored for 25 and 20 years of Federal Service, respectively. **Mr. Severin J. Oberpriller** was commended for outstanding performance of duty as Chief of the Rgn's Logistics Div.

**USACC Agency (SSG BELONUS)** — The unit gives a hearty welcome to **SSG William Griffin** (SHAPE Belgium), **Sp4 Michael Easley** (Germany), **Sp4 Dale Lee** (Germany), and **Pvt. Inoris Clark** (Ft. Gordon). PCSing are **SSG William Griffin**, **Sp5 Jeffery Nitta**, **Sp5 Michael Hampton**, and **Sp4 Ernest Wicks**. Thanks for your hard work. You will be missed!!!

**MSG (Top) William Headings**, and **SSG (Slide) William Griffin** recently re-enlisted. Congrats.

Receiving decorations or awards from **BG John S. Blair**, Commander, 7th Signal Command were: **Ms. Anne Grcich**, **Sgt. John Meurer**, **Sp5 Michael Hampton**, and **Mrs. Anne Cochran** - all recipients of the Commanders Award for Outstanding Service. This was the second award for Mrs. Anne (Super Liz) Cochran.

Other awards presented were: an MSM for **MSG Kenneth Slagle**, a JSCM for **SSG William Griffin**, a Special Certificate of Appreciation for **Mrs. Janet Griffin**. Special recognition is given to the following for years of service — **Mr. Joseph Bewley**, 35 yrs., **Mr. Calvin Haller**, 30 yrs., **Mr. Charles Irwin**, 25 yrs., and **Rudolph Jurardo**, 25 yrs.

# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q. I know the medical services receive a lot of unfair criticism but recently an incident was observed at Letterman Hospital that seemed to enforce many of these arguments. It seems most of the patients are observing the "NO SMOKING" signs throughout the hospital but not the hospital staff members. In the X-Ray Department, a technician was sitting next to a sign while voraciously puffing away on a cigarette. Are the signs for patients ONLY?**

Name Withheld By Request

**A.** The X-Ray technician who was observed smoking next to a "NO SMOKING" sign has been counseled, and all Department personnel have been instructed to restrict smoking to offices and internal working areas that are not prohibited areas. All other Department Heads, Division Chiefs and Separate Service Chiefs have been made aware of the DA policy on smoking, which has been incorporated in a LAMC regulation. This Headquarters has made every effort to post "NO SMOKING" signs and make Public Address System announcements to inform the entire Medical Center Staff of the emphasis on implementing the DA Smoking Policy. Command emphasis is also given at the Professional and Executive Staff Meeting to pass the work to all assigned and attached personnel. The LAMC Military Police, as they patrol the hospital, tactfully inform visitors and staff if they are observed smoking in a no-smoking area to please put the cigarette out.

Major Wallace J. Brown, Adjutant, LAMC

Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: **L-I-N-E**.

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# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

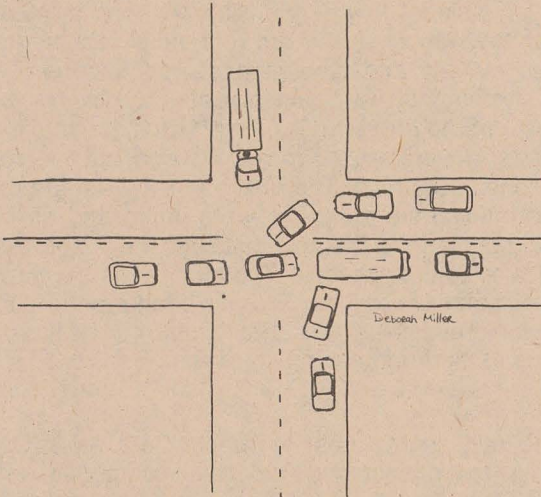
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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

Answer to last week's: EIGHTY, SPOKEN, GALLOP, SEARCH, LASSO.

Answer: SEASHELLS



Traffic jams don't bother this driver.



Solution in next week's SP



# SPORTS

## Racquetball Championship

In the Women's Military Post Racquetball Championship, **Sheryl Hennesy** (USAG) defeated **Janet Brown** (LAMC) in a hotly contested match.

Brown had defeated Hennesy 21-13 in the first final, which necessitated another game since both had one loss. Hennesy swamped her opponent 21-3 in the last game.

According to **Bob Darling** of Rec Services Division, Sheryl's win was due to her power of concentration. Darling added, "both players competed and played in a professional style."

Said Sheryl, "Janet played a hell of a game. This tournament could have gone either way. I was glad to have her as an opponent."



Demonstrating her winning style is Sheryl Hennesy. (photo by Jim Canfield)

## Sailing

Want to sail? The Yacht Club of the Naval Air Station, Alameda has the boats, the Bay, and the instructors to teach. Membership (\$5 per person, \$10 per family) is open to all active duty or retired military personnel and their dependents. We have an active teaching, racing, and cruising program. Interested? Come to our annual membership drive meeting at 1 p.m. Saturday, April 8. We meet in the Clubhouse located next to the Boathouse at the Marina of the Naval Air Station, Alameda. Any questions? Call Dan Bikle at 561-4147 or Cindy De Somery at 561-4880.

## Volleyball Results

In the Presidio Volleyball League, LAIR #1 suffered its first two losses of the season at the hands of LAMC #1 and USPHS.

The top three teams from each league will compete in a double elimination tournament for the Post Championship, starting Thursday April 13 at 5 p.m. in the Post Gym #1.

The standings show that competition for play-off berths from the Presidio League could be scrambled and end in some ties, which would necessitate a play-off for those spots.

Sixth Army and USACC continue to dominate the Ft. Scott League. USACC's lone loss was at the hands of 6th Army.

## The Best in the West

The Presidio's **Sara Adams** is now officially one of "the best in the West." Last week she won four medals in the Far Western AAU Swimming Championships for her age group. The fourteen-year-old, who swims for the Presidio Aquarius Swim Club, won a second place medal in the 50-yard freestyle, a fifth in the 100 freestyle, an eighth in the 100 backstroke, and a seventh in the 200 backstroke. The finals were held at Cupertino, CA, and featured top swimmers from 127 teams in 15 western states and Canada. Almost a thousand swimmers worked to make the finals in this annual three-day event.

## Back on the Path

The Presidio Strikers Soccer Team again found the winning path as they beat Sunset "A" 3 to 2 this past Saturday. This makes the Strikers record now nine wins and three losses.

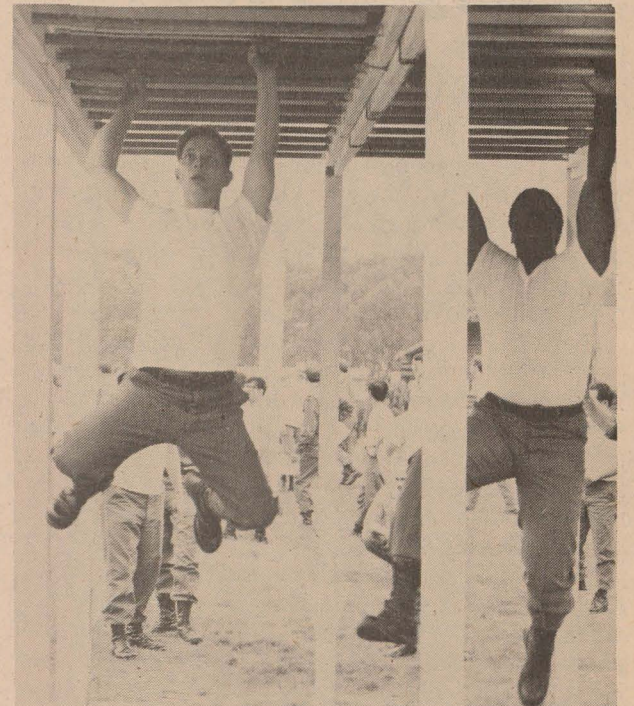
The game proved to be one of the more exciting the Strikers have played this year. The Strikers had to come from behind to pull out a victory. Trailing 1 to 0 at half-time, the Strikers came out ready for the second half.

**Rocky Wicks** scored the Strikers first goal on a corner shot from about 20 yards out. **Jodie Cason** connected for the second goal from about 25 yards. Then, with the score tied 2 to 2, and about five minutes to play, **Greg Keller** kicked the winning goal. These same three Strikers also shared the position of goalie and all three made some spectacular saves to allow the Strikers to win their ninth game.

Also doing a super job at mid-field were **Timmie Sexton**, "**Big John**" **Hagemeister**, and **Michael Stojic**. The defensive "giants" of the game were "**Little John**" **Stankewicz**, **Tim Cason**, **Andy Leon** and **Dawson Rorick**. These boys did a tremendous defensive job in keeping the ball away from the goal.

The Strikers' next game will be this Saturday against the Westlake Rockets on the Presidio at the Paul Goode Field at 1 p.m.

## PT Test



Members of USAG displayed their stuff in the annual PT Test last week. Four soldiers maxed: **Bruce F. Wicks** of DPTSEC, and **Jeffrey Mills**, **Rafael Caraballo** and **Cornelius Liddell** of the Hamilton AFB Flight Detachment (not pictures here). The best time in the mile was recorded by **Stephen Theriault** with a time of 4:54. Of 215 soldiers who took the test, only two failed. (photo by Dan Jackson)

## First Defeat

The Presidio Tigers of the Junior Soccer League suffered their first defeat of the season. They bowed to a highly-disciplined, league-leading Olympia team, 3-0.

The Tigers dominated the first half by keeping the ball near Olympia's goal, but repeated attempts to score were thwarted by Olympia's super goalie. Forwards and wings **Bo Branch**, **Kris Marquis**, **Scott Farrow**, **Dan Griffin**, and **Randy Kim** played an aggressive and physical game.

Fullbacks **Paige Knight**, **John McFarland**, **Pat Quinlan** and **John Dowell** assisted goalies **Vaughn Scott** and **Robert Linder** in preventing more Olympia goals.

The second-place Tigers will be concluding their season in a game against the Viking Knights on Saturday, April 8, at noon at the Paul Goode Field.



The 93rd MI overcame LAIR #2 in Monday's Volleyball League action. Scores were: 10-12,

8-6 and 13-6. Members of Lair #2 (pictured left) vie for position. (photo by Jim Canfield)



# Crime Scene

Over the past several months, theft of property from privately owned vehicles has become an increasing problem on the Presidio. Some items that have been stolen include: rings, clothing, CB Radios, and weapons. These vehicles were "secured" and broken into during evening hours.

The vehicles were, for the most part, parked in unlit areas. This made them prime targets for theft. Also, the items that were stolen were left in plain sight.

These crimes could have been eliminated if all the items were kept out of the vehicles, and had been placed in secured areas. Please keep all valuables either in your trunk or your quarters. Also, never keep weapons in your vehicle.

Another suggestion - register and keep a record of your private possessions and their serial numbers.

If you have any information concerning this type of crime, contact the Military Police Investigations Section at ext. 4217/4721.

## Regulation Controversy

There are several areas of controversy on the Presidio regarding regulations (PSF Regulation 210-10) pertaining to parking, camping, and the registration of bicycles, weapons and cars. Each week the Star Presidian will approach one of these topics to keep our readers up-to-date on these regulations.

**Camping on the Presidio:** Approval in writing must be obtained before camping on the Presidio. This includes living in motor homes, mobile homes, or campers of any type. Anyone desiring authorization will apply in writing to: Commander, Presidio of San Francisco, ATTN: DPCA, Presidio of San Francisco, CA 94129.

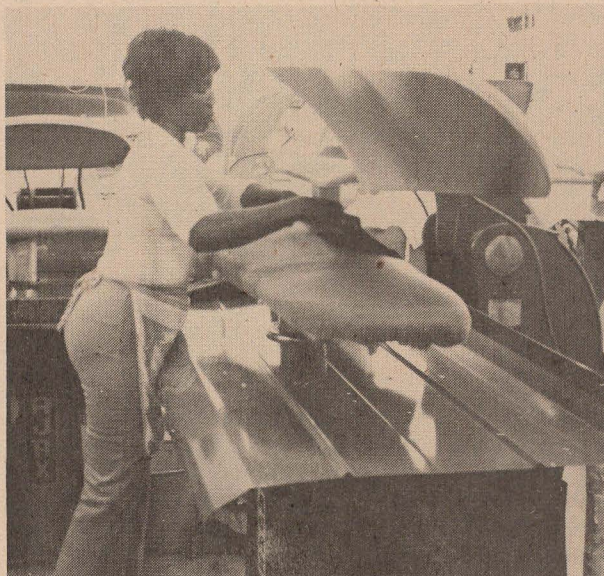
# Washday Blues

story and photo by Ted Elisee

Are you tired of paying high costs for "looking your best?" Do you dread washday?

Well, try the Fabricare Facility on the Presidio. The facility, once known as the Quartermaster Laundry, has a deal that can't be beat with a stick. For just eight dollars a month, a soldier can have 100 items laundered, ironed and returned in "looking your best" condition.

The Fabricare Facility began its operation in 1914. Its main mission has been to clean and maintain linen for the Post Hospital. In fact, 88 per cent of the



Operating the press at the Fabricare Facility is Geraldine Whitfield.

laundry's workload consist of sheets, pillow cases, napkins, and other items for the hospital. But it will do the individual soldier's personal laundry for a small fee.

However, according to Mr. Thomas Frothingham, Laundry Manager, the Fabricare Facility is rarely used by individual military personnel. He feels that most soldiers are either unaware of the inexpensive services offered, or don't know where the laundry is located. It's situated in Bldg. 1047, in the old hospital area, half-way between the new hospital and the Clothing Sales Store.

Besides the \$8.00 bundle service, individual piece work is also offered. For example, a pair of fatigues are "professionalized" for 80 cents a pair, civilian shirts are done for 35 cents, and civilian trousers are cleaned for 45 cents.

"One day service" is also featured. Fatigues can be turned in at 9 a.m. and are ready for pick-up at 3 p.m. --cost-- a mere 96 cents a pair!

Part of the reason they can give such fast service is their large, skilled staff. There are 29 permanent employees working at the Facility, and 12 part-timers. Their jobs range from maintenance, clerical, or washer personnel, to pressers and general laundry workers.

This service is another military "benny" -- the Fabricare Facility offers some of the best prices around. Why not give it a try? You might find an answer to your washday blues, and save some money too.

# News Break

## Financial Hardships

The recent devaluation of the U.S. dollar in world money markets has caused financial hardship to overseas based military personnel. The Department of Defense has announced that it has taken steps to reduce these hardships.

In the past, a housing allowance and a cost of living allowance were paid to offset costs. Immediate relief has been provided now by an increase in these allowances. The President has also approved \$88 million for travel and transportation of junior enlisted personnel and their families. Approval of these funds will help alleviate some of the financial burden of moving.

Another change enacted by the Army recently authorized dependents of lieutenants, warrant officers, and all enlisted soldiers to eat in the dining facilities more than the two times per month previously allowed.

The Army's Enhancement of Life Support (ELIFE) program encompasses every aspect of the quality of life of soldiers and their families in Europe. ELIFE involves medical facilities, family housing, child care, libraries, and many other morale support activities. The budget for 1979 contains a \$34 million increase request for ELIFE items. (ARNews)

## Dinner Meeting

The San Francisco Chapter of the Federally Employed Women, Inc. will hold a dinner meeting from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m., Wednesday, April 19, at the Presidio Officers' Club.

The 1978 reorganization of the U.S. Civil Service Commission (USCSC) will be the topic of the two keynote speakers, Peter Garcia, Deputy Regional Director, SF Region, USCSC; and Judith Cassel, Associate Director, Training Leadership Institute, USCSC and Federal Women's Program Coordinator for the SF Region, USCSC.

They will present the "Hi-Lites" of Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1978 and the Civil Service Reform Act of 1978.

All federal employees, regardless of sex, should consider putting this program on their must list.

For further information and reservations call 561-2035 or 2022.

## Leave Explanation

Leave and Earning Statements (LES) now have two blocks showing leave balance, but some soldiers are apparently puzzled as to why there are two.

Block 50 on the LES form shows the leave balance as of the end of August, 1976. Leave days in Block 50 may be cashed in for base pay, separate rations and housing allowance when permitted by law.

Since September, 1976, the law limits cash-in leave payments to base pay only.

Army Finance officials say Block 33 on the LES shows the amount of leave which can be cashed in for base pay at separation, reenlistment or any other opportunity to exchange leave for cash.

## Self Defense Against Rape

A Self Defense Against Rape class will meet Wednesday, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., from April 19 to June 7 in the Ft. Scott Gym, Bldg 1226. The course will focus on developing the confidence, knowledge and ability to protect oneself from attack. The causes and circumstances of rape and avoidance, non-contact, and contact defense will be covered. All interested military personnel, dependents, and civilian employees may register for this free course by calling the Army Education Center, ext. 2974/4445.

## Grapheologist at Rec Center

On Thursday, April 13 at 7:30 p.m., the Rec Center will present Charlie Cole. Mr. Cole has been a professional Grapheologist for over 35 years. He can tell you more about yourself than you ever thought possible. Make a note to yourself, and do not miss this one-time, free analysis at the Rec Center.

## Tickets, Tickets, Tickets

The Rec Center ITT Office has been contacted regarding the possibility of complimentary tickets for some San Francisco shows. Notice of the availability of these tickets will be very short. The Rec Center ITT Office wishes to compile a list of interested persons and requests such persons call ext 2000/5420 after 2:30 p.m.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, April 7, Maniac (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 8, Poco (G), 2 and 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 9, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, April 10, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 12, Thunder and Lightning (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 13, The Last Four Days (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, April 7, The Happy Hooker Goes to Washington (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, April 10, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 11, Final Chapter, Walking Tall (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 12, The Other Side of Midnight (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 13, Cherry Hill High (R), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Monday, April 10, Maniac (PG), 7 p.m.

Friday, April 14, Poco (G), 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, The One and Only, (PG), 7 p.m.

### THUNDER AND LIGHTNING (PG)

Nancy Sue Hunnicutt (Kate Jackson) joins forces with boyfriend Harley Thomas (David Carradine) against her daddy, his thug friends and the syndicate, whose properous soft drink bottling business is a front for a moonshine operation. Everybody's after everybody else in airboats, sportscars, pickup and garbage trucks. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### THE LAST FOUR DAYS (PG)

In April, 1945, Mussolini (Rod Steiger) wishes the Americans would arrive, as they want him alive, the Germans want him in Austria, the Italian partisans have sentenced him to death and are pursuing him. This is the true story of the greatest manhunt of the century. Elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

### FINAL CHAPTER WALKING TALL (R)

Logan Ramsey (Witter) is so driven by hate for Buford Pusser (Bo Svenson) for having ruined his million dollar racket, he can think of only one thing -- kill Pusser. When Pusser loses his office to a liberal in the county election he is approached by a Hollywood producer who wants to make a picture based on his life and a chance to play himself in a sequel. Driving home, he loses control of the car and is thrown clear just before the car explodes.





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## Come Up and See My Etchings

Story by Ted Elisee



**Couple attempts to creep past the CQ. (photo by Jim Canfield)**

"Life in the barracks is a drag. This is our home — we should be able to have our friends visit, regardless of their sex."

That complaint by a WAC who lives in the barracks is heard more and more frequently of late. Co-visitation, allowing visitors of the opposite sex in barracks rooms, is a popular topic lately.

Many soldiers are bothered by the present policy against visitation that exists in every unit on the Presidio. They look on the policy as an insult, as an affront to their maturity.

As one barracks resident put it, "We're in the Army. We're considered adults. If we were out in civilian life, working on a civilian job, living in a civilian apartment building, chances are we'd have a member of the opposite sex for a next door neighbor. I really don't see why we couldn't have our friends visit."

Although the cry for co-visitation is a common one, there are some good reasons for the present policy. According to Captain Thomas Smith, commander of HQ Co., USAG, crime prevention is one main reason behind the policy. "We've had women come and complain about unwanted men in the billets — they were just plain afraid," he explains. "That's why we put out the policy — the order — that no men were allowed in the women's barracks and vice versa. Strictly crime prevention."

Barracks Sergeant Doris Redner, speaking about unwanted males in the female billets, agrees it's a problem, "These men were not only military, but also civilian men who came in off the streets. In fact, one was intoxicated and just decided to go around and knock on girls' doors."

While crime prevention is an important aspect to consider, many of the other troops question whether crime would increase with visitation privileges. Sp4 Chris Hall of the 16th AG Detachment thinks that "The crime rate would decrease if visitation rights were in effect, because people would know and be responsible for what they are doing."

PFC Randy Lucas of the 864th Engineers strongly agrees: "I don't think the crime rate would increase if we were allowed visitation rights. It's a crime right now if you get caught up there with them (women)."

On the more humorous side, one male barracks resident said, "If you were able to have women in the rooms you would be less apt to go and rip off your neighbor, because you would be entertaining the women." But barracks larcenies are not the only crime problems that unit commanders have to worry about; an increase in rapes and assaults on women would also be cause for concern if there were more traffic in the barracks (see related article on rape in this issue).

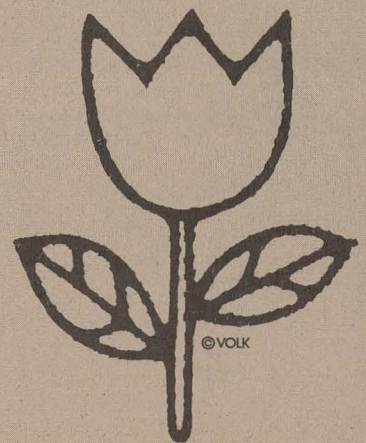
### NOTICE

**NO FEMALE GUESTS PERMITTED  
IN MALE BARRACKS AREA  
CONTACT RESIDENTS THROUGH  
CQ. BLDG 105**

The lack of privacy that might result if visitors were allowed in rooms is another reason behind the no-visitation policy. Says one woman sergeant "Individual privacy would always be a problem if co-visitation came about. How should I react if I walk in on my roommate and she's got a man with her in the room? It would be difficult for me to have my own privacy if this was to occur."

Army Regulation 210-16 also addresses that concern for privacy. According to CSM James Hodges, Jr., Post Sergeant Major, the regulation is used as a guideline for commanders to decide whether co-visitation is feasible or not. When personnel have private baths and separate facilities for sleeping (ie, no roommates), then co-visitation could be considered. Obviously, these conditions *do not exist* on the Presidio, and so the right *cannot* be granted. In his opinion, co-visitation could be seriously considered if these conditions ever came about on the Presidio.

Army policies have changed throughout the years. Perhaps one day circumstances will change and the current visitation policy will be re-evaluated, too. But until that time, remember: entertaining a person of the opposite sex in your room is punishable under UCMJ.



Co-operation is solicited for the annual "Spring Clean-up Campaign." This campaign, during the week of April 17-23, has been set aside to refurbish the lawns, gardens, and general outdoor appearance of the post.

Friday, April 21 and Saturday, April 22, are the days for personnel living on the Presidio to work on their homes. What to do after cleaning the outside? Spring clean the inside too! Don't worry about all that junk that has accumulated. You can get rid of it.

The Engineers will come through the housing areas on Sunday, April 23, and cart away all your unwanted things.

Remember, this is your post. As active duty residents of the Presidio, you and your dependents are responsible for the post beautification effort. When you've done all the work, why not celebrate with a get together? You'll probably see many new faces on the street. Greet each other and be glad that you've done your part in keeping the Presidio beautiful!

## Rapists Do Not Discriminate

By Don Delver

Even though the hour was late, no one questioned the intruder in the women's barracks, or tried to find out who he was. "It's none of my business", everyone said. Only a few people heard the muffled sounds of struggle coming out of PVT Smith's room, and no one reacted at all until they were startled by her terrified screams. Those who stuck their heads out of their rooms in time to see the young man dash by were unable to give an accurate description when questioned later.

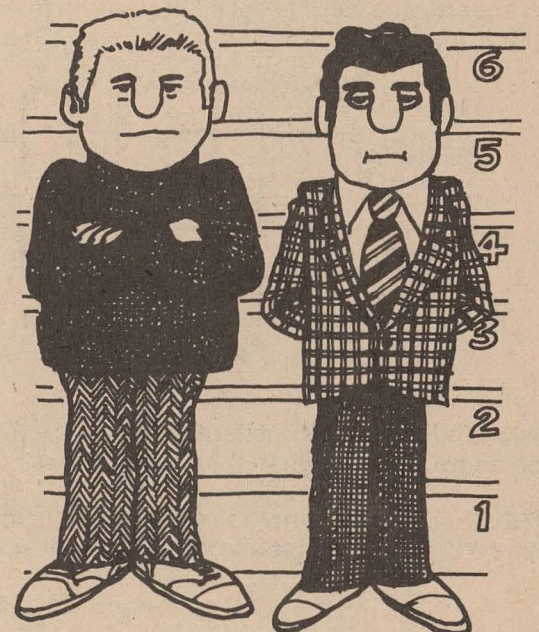
PVT Smith was lucky. Her attacker panicked and ran without doing her any serious harm. Badly frightened, she later told the investigators that she had been asleep when she felt someone's hand cover her mouth. A man's voice rasped in her ear, "Don't move and don't scream!", he hissed again. Momentarily she stopped struggling, which seemed to put the young man off his guard. He got up and began pulling off his clothes. This gave her time to react — she sat up and began screaming.

Rape prevention, in particular, is something which everyone needs to explore further. The number of rapes reported continues to increase in the Bay Area, even as other types of crime decrease. Rapists do not discriminate based on age or appearance, and virtu-

ally every female is a potential victim. Police around the country strongly encourage everyone to learn as much as he or she can about rape and its prevention.

There are many possible ways that this type of crime could have been avoided. First, PVT Smith might have kept her door locked as she slept. Second, the people who saw the young man wandering around the halls might have questioned him to determine who he was and what he wanted. Third, a centralized meeting place for visitors controlled by the CQ, and an escort system might have prevented the incident. Many of the barracks crimes which do occur are preventable; and controlling access to the living areas of the barracks is one of the best ways to avoid all types of crime.

A rape prevention course is being offered at the Presidio education center, starting in mid-April. Interested persons are encouraged to call Ms. Jean Redsecker at 561-4445 for details. Questions concerning rape prevention or any other aspect of crime prevention may be directed to the Provost Marshal's Crime Prevention Section, 561-5011.





# Ramblin' Sam



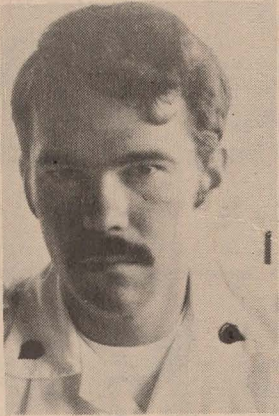
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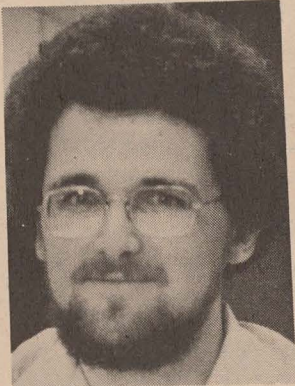
Mr. Byron K. Lines, Medical Admin Specialist, Staff Medical Advisors — "We get along fine. I don't have any difficulties with the military. In most cases, we both appreciate the individual role that we contribute to the accomplishment of our job."



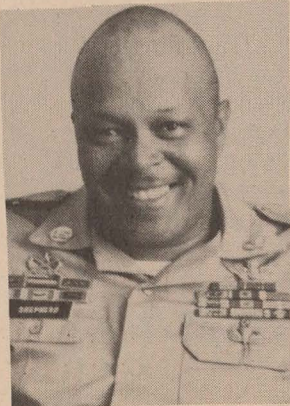
Ms. Nancy Cupp, Secretary, RGPSF — "Well, the majority of the military get along well with the civilians; but I feel that some military believe that civilians are not as well qualified to do their jobs. I'm tired of hearing the saying — 'Those damn civilians!'"



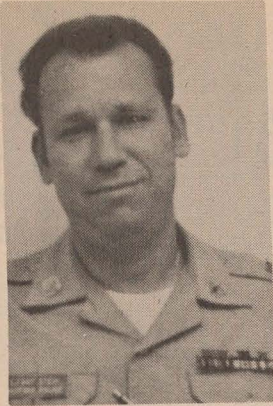
Sp5 Don Prater, Medical Specialist, Recovery Room, LAMC — "On a social basis I believe that civilians and military get along well, however when dealing with the overall structure and red tape in the governmental system, somehow the communication between us breaks down. I believe that when the higher ranks of military and civilians deal with each other, there is a lack of mutual respect in each other's abilities. I believe that Carter's proposals for changing the Civil Service are a possible answer to the lack of communication problem."



Mr. James Maher, Postal Clerk, Presidio Post Office — "They get along pretty well. The military personnel seem to be more courteous than the general public. I believe that since the military are more cooperative than most, it makes for better relations all around."



MSgt Alesandro Shepherd, Senior Medical Advisor, RGPSF — "I think that the military and the civilians can get along well if the civilian is properly trained prior to taking a job. I generally get along with a civilian, because it is a two-way street, and I meet them half way."



SSG Sheldon Stein, Asst Opns Sergeant, PMO — "For the most part, we get along well. When a job has to be done we cooperate and get down to the nitty gritty. Personal conflicts will occur in any way of life; but we always manage to work hand in hand in the end."

# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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She can have it but he can't!



Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

Answers to last week's: VACANT, DEMAND, STREAM, BORROW, TRIPOD.  
ANSWER: SCREWDRIVER

# Troop Talk

USAG (SSG Kelly) — Sp4 promotions have been awarded to Janice Mayden, Thomas Howard, Linda Spillane, Ida Alston, and also PFC to Ulewellyn Carey, and Melissa Rinehart. Great work!

51st Eng Det (CPT Croft) — SSG Albert De Los Santos successfully completed the CDACC School at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. Congratulations and welcome back.

16th AG Postal (CPT Lamb) — Sad goodbyes to Sp4s Sherl Cummings, Theodora Thomas, and Sheila Johnson - all departing for Germany.

402nd MP Co (SSG Shelton) — The company is out in the field on exercise "Brave Shield" at Fort Irwin. Hurry on home!!!!

# ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. Why is it that none of the companies on the Presidio have orientation parties and get-togethers? My husband is in the 170th MP Co. and I have met very few couples, nor do I really understand what he does in his job. I think it would be a good idea to get families more involved. Thank you.

Name withheld.

A. Since assuming duties as First Sergeant of the 170th MP Co. on June 23, 1977, I have personally arranged, sponsored, and organized four unit get-togethers during the months of July, September, February, and March, two of which were cook-outs at the Log Cabin NCO Club, one a party cook-out in front of the 170th MP Co. and the latest, a company picnic, at Baker Beach on March 24. Prior to these activities, we organized three 504th MP Bn. "Togetherness" Days at the Log Cabin.

Prior to each of the events mentioned above, it was announced to all members of the unit that dependents, relatives, and guests were invited to participate. The person or persons initiating this inquiry are cordially invited to the 170th to assist the unit in determining how we could more effectively get the word out to those dependents who haven't gotten the word in the past, and to assist in setting up an orientation program within the unit for incoming dependents. Thank you for bringing this to our attention.

Leo Wafford, 1st Sergeant  
170th MP Co.

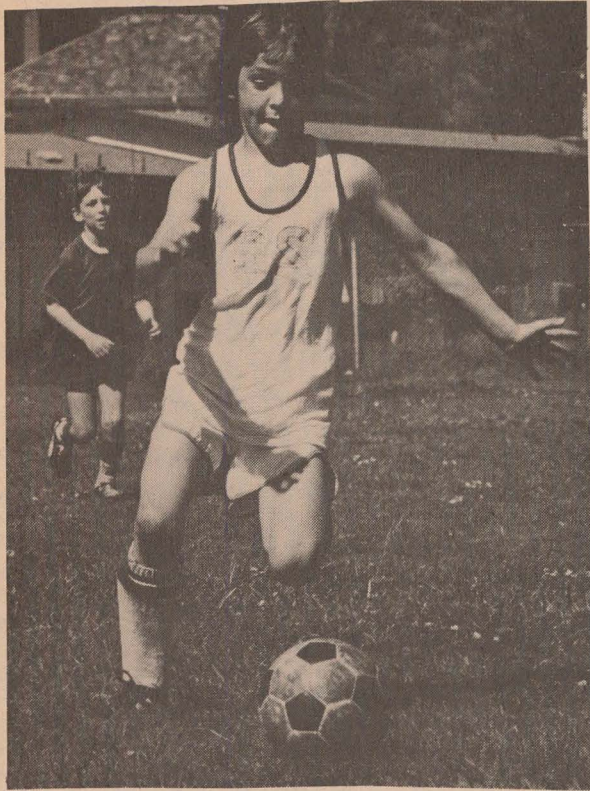
Call in your questions, gripes, or suggestions by dialing the 24-hour phone service: L-I-N-E

# Star Presidian

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Greg Keller threads his way down field to give the Strikers their fifth goal of the game late in the second half. The 5-0 shutout moves the Strikers into the League Championship Finals tomorrow at noon in a game slated for Lowell High School. (US Army Photo by Nick Rorick)

Strikers Hit Finals

The Presidio Strikers Soccer Team finished their regular season last weekend with a 5-0 whitewashing of the Westlake Rockets and now move into the league finals. The win raised the Strikers season record to 10-3.

The Strikers wasted no time hammering out their first goal as Jody Cason scored less than a minute after the opening whistle to give the Presidio lads the only goal they needed.

By half-time, Rocky Wicks had added a pair of his own to give the Presidio Strikers a 3-0 intermission lead.

During the second half, Wicks slammed home his third goal of the afternoon, and Greg Keller added one more to the tally late in the contest.

The defensive play of Dawson Rorick, "Big John" Hagemeister and Tim Cason was credited with shutting out the Rockets.

Tomorrow afternoon, the Strikers meet Olympia of San Francisco for the San Francisco Flame League Championship. The game for the title is slated for noon at Lowell High School.

Tigers Triumph

The Presidio Tigers wrapped up their season in the San Francisco Junior Soccer League last week with a 2-0 shutout of the Viking Knights giving them a second place finish for the season.

The Tigers piled up four wins against a single loss while being held to a tie twice.

In last week's game, the Tigers carried the action to their opponents with much of the contest being played in Knights territory.

Vaughn Scott gave the Tigers their first goal of the afternoon midway into the first half. Early in the second period, Randy Kim moved the ball 20 yards through the Knights defense to pound the net for the second Tigers goal of the day.

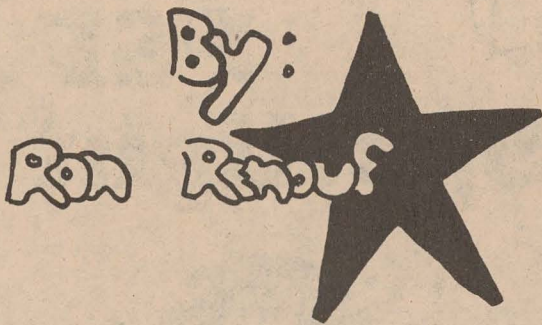
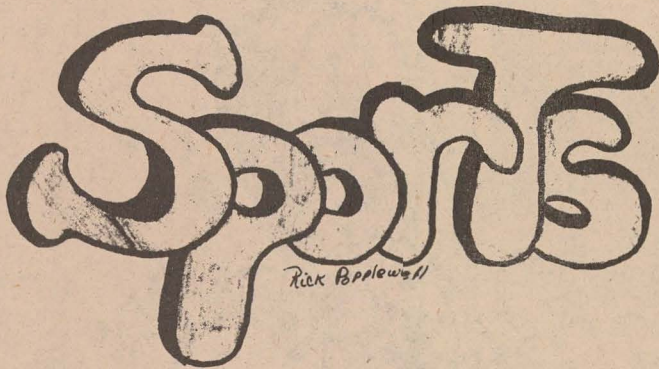
Outstanding defensive work by Bo Branch, John McFarland, Kris Marquis and Pat Quinlan along with goalie Robert Linder stopped the Knights attack cold.

Bowling standings

| Presidio League | W   | L   |
|-----------------|-----|-----|
| USACC           | 70½ | 21½ |
| LAMC #1         | 66  | 26  |
| Reg IX          | 62½ | 25½ |
| Spt. Elm. #1    | 60  | 32  |
| LAIR #1         | 57  | 35  |
| USASSG          | 39  | 53  |
| 93rd MI Bn      | 36  | 56  |
| 51st Engrs.     | 32  | 56  |
| Courier Sta.    | 30  | 58  |

| Ft. Scott League | W   | L   |
|------------------|-----|-----|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 74  | 18  |
| SFFO CID         | 70  | 22  |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 64½ | 27½ |
| USAG             | 53  | 39  |
| LAMC #2          | 45½ | 46½ |
| LAIR #2          | 43  | 49  |
| SIGSEC           | 35½ | 56½ |
| 87th Ord.        | 35  | 57  |
| 504th Mp Bn      | 29  | 63  |
| 16th AG          | 25½ | 66½ |



Post Marksmanship Program

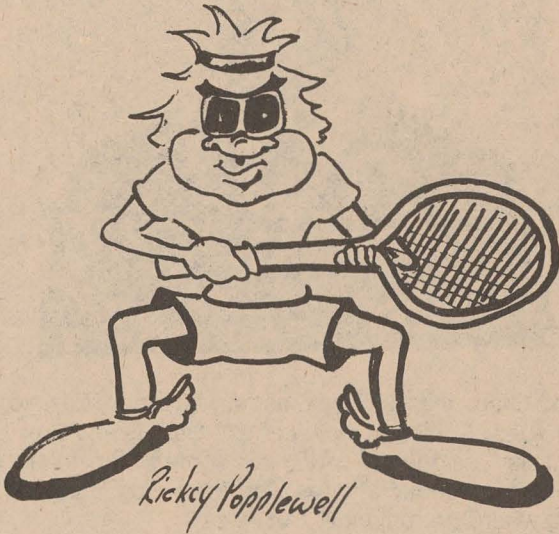
Lieutenant Colonel Peter J. Rizzo, director of plans, training and security at the Presidio, has announced the activation of a post-wide small arms Marksmanship Program.

Individuals assigned and attached to the various units here are authorized to participate in weapons practice firing at the indoor range located in building 1369, each Wednesday from 6:30 until 8:00 p.m.

Weapons and ammunition will be available at the range and individuals demonstrating competition potential will be considered for participation in Bay Area small arms tournaments and competition at higher military levels.

According to the letter issued by Rizzo in announcing the program, each company-size unit at the Presidio is also authorized to field a 12-person pistol team. Weapons and the range facility will be made available upon request from the unit, however the units will be required to forecast and draw their own ammunition and provide targets for unit competition.

At least once a year, a tournament will be conducted among the various unit teams with awards being presented. Top firers in this tournament will be selected for the installation pistol team.



Post Tennis Tournament

The Sports Office has announced that the 1978 Post Tennis Tournament will open April 24.

US Lawn Tennis Rules, as modified by the Sports Branch, will govern play with the best two out of three sets determining the winner of the match. The nine-point tie-breaker rule will apply when the score is 6-6 in games.

The type of tournament will be determined by the Sports Branch, based upon the number of entries in the following divisions:

\*Open: Under 33 years of age (two sections).

Section a: Championship: (Those desirous of trying out for the 1978 FORSCOM Championship Tournament)

Section b: Novice: All others

\*Junior Veterans: 34 - 44 years of age

\*Veterans: 45 years and older

\*Women: All ages

Racquets may be checked out from Supply Section of the Fort Scott Gym, (Building 1226). Balls will be furnished for tournament matches only.

Active duty individuals, assigned, attached or satellited to the Presidio are eligible and may contact the Sports Branch at 4120 or 5032 for registration information.

Foot Race

The first "Round the Runway" footrace will be held at NAS Moffett Field, Sunday, June 4. The 7.6 and 3 mile courses are laid out around the runways near Hangar One, the blimp hangar that dominates the installation.

This event has been sanctioned by the Pacific Association of the Amateur Athletic Union (AAU), and non-military participants must have a valid AAU card.

The card requirement is waived for all military personnel who wish to enter the competition. Non-military desiring to obtain their card may do so at the race site for a fee of \$4. All entrants, military and civilian, must pay the \$2 entry fee (\$3 on day of the race).

Entry fees should be paid by check made out to Special Services and mailed to Lieutenant Commander Bill Hartman, FASO Detachment, NAS Moffett Field, CA 94035.

The athletic department will provide restrooms, showers and soap — bring your own towel.

Six divisions, including military, open, masters, women, ages 12-18 and ages 11 and under, will compete.

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places in each race, with T-shirts for 4th, 5th and 6th places. The oldest and youngest finishers in each race will also receive T-shirts. All participants will receive a certificate of completion.

For additional information call Bill Hitch at (415) 966-5511 or Bill Hartman at 966-5191.



Steinbaugh Victory

The 36-hole two-day long Commander's Spring Golf Tournament was conducted last week at the Presidio Golf Course.

The Open Division was an easy victory for Jim Steinbaugh of Sixth Army who shot a 152 for an eleven stroke victory over Long Petersen from LAIR.

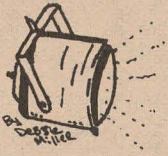
In the Senior Division, the competition proved to be a bit more heated, as Clarence Nakatsukta from Sixth Army carded a 167 to edge out Ronald Whitecliffe of Sixth Region CID by only two strokes.

Fresh Trout

If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- \*Alameda County — Lake Elizabeth
- \*Contra Costa County — Lafayette Reservoir
- \*Marin County — Phoenix Reservoir
- \*Mendocino County — Lake Ada Rose
- \*Santa Clara County — Sandy Wool Lake, Coyote Reservoir, Uvas Reservoir, Campbell Percolation Pond, Cottonwood Lake
- \*Santa Cruz County — Pinto Lake
- \*Solano County — Lake Chabot
- \*Sonoma County — Lake Ralphine, Spring Lake





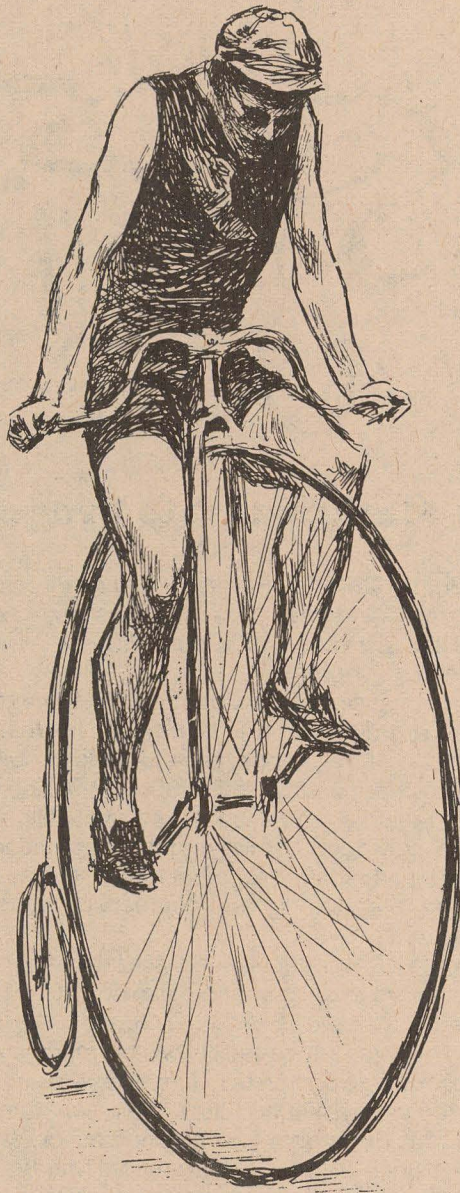
## PSF Spotlight



Sp5 Greg Lyles, 27, was recently chosen "Presidio Community Citizen of the Quarter." Greg is an Admin Specialist assigned to LAIR. His home is Cincinnati, Ohio. He presently attends San Francisco State, at night, where he majors in Business.

Greg was chosen for the "Citizen Award" because of his continuous efforts in assisting the Presidio Dependent Youth Basketball Program. Since 1975, Greg has voluntarily given his time to coach major and minor league teams and has set a good example for the young people he has worked with.

Congratulations, Greg!!!



### Bicycle Safety Week April 17 - 23

## Crime Scene

During the past several months, several bicycle thefts have occurred at Letterman Army Medical Center. These thefts have usually taken place during daylight hours. All the bicycles involved were secured to a bicycle rack or some sort of support structure.

The bicycles were removed from the bicycle racks by cutting or damaging the locking devices that secured them. This type of crime can be eliminated by securing the bikes with tamper proof devices.

Any information concerning the identity of the criminals involved, should be reported to the Military Police Investigations Section at Ext. 4217/4721.

**Registration of Privately Owned Vehicles:** All privately owned vehicles operated or parked on the Presidio or its subposts will be registered with the Provost Marshal's Vehicle Registration Section within three (3) working days of arrival. Registration of vehicles is valid for one (1) year and must be re-registered annually. For further information contact Sgt. R. Davis at 561-3810.

**Recreation Vehicle Parking:** All Recreation Vehicles (Motor Homes, Mobile Homes or coaches, trailers, boats and campers) will be parked only in Battery Caulfield area when on the Presidio, or when the vehicle is not used for primary transportation.

## News Break

### Boss/Secretary Luncheon

National Secretaries Week, April 24-28, will be celebrated at the Presidio with a Boss/Secretary luncheon to be held at the Presidio Officers' Club, on Monday, April 24.

The luncheon sponsored by the Presidio Federal Women's Program Committee will have as its honored guest and speaker, Nancy Kane, President of the S.F. Chapter National Secretaries Association (International). Her subject will be "What Does A Secretary Really Want? — Her Changing Image."

Kane is the secretary to the Vice President and Controller, Crown-Zellerbach Corporation. She is a graduate of Prospect Hall Secretarial School, Milwaukee, WI., and has been a professional secretary for 21 years.

For further information and reservations contact Wanda Greer, at 561-2022/2035.

### Van Pool Riders

Riders in a van pool are needed from San Rafael and Novato to the Presidio. For more information and cost, contact Col. John Butler, ext. 4974 or Larry Gallagher, EXT. 3404.

### Volunteers Needed

The Recurrent Coronary Prevention Project at Mount Zion Medical Center is seeking 900 coronary patients from the San Francisco Bay Area who (1) have had one or more heart attacks, (2) are 63 years of age or younger and (3) are currently not smoking, for participation in a project to reduce the recurrence rate of coronary heart attacks.

The project is headed by Dr. Meyer Friedman of the Harold Brunn Medical Research Society and funded by the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute.

Volunteers in this study are expected to do so with the full knowledge and support of their own physician. The main thrust of the program is aimed at behavior modification.

Interested persons should contact the Harold Brunn Institute at (415) 922-8155.

### New Chairman Nominated

The President last week announced the nomination of General David C. Jones of the Air Force as the new Chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. Gen. Jones will succeed General George S. Brown, whose term of office expires June 30.

### USO Volunteers

Young single women volunteers are urgently needed to go to isolated bases once or twice a month and help entertain the men stationed there. Anyone who likes to dance, play cards, pingpong, Monopoly or just sit around and chat is encouraged to join our USO group and help cheer up the men on these lonely duty stations. Rides will be available. For further information, call USO, 776-3100.

### Disco Fever

Anyone with Friday or Saturday Night Disco Fever? Come on down to the San Francisco USO, 375 O'Farrell at 8 p.m. either night, and dance your soles off! It's Disco Night every weekend at USO, hosted by our Junior Volunteers. They dance all the old and new steps, and will even teach you how. You'll also have a chance to select your own kind of music, too. Refreshments are served free.

### Travel Brochures

The Army and Air Force Exchange System (AAFES) prints and offers free the brochure titled "AAFES Travel Guide."

This handy guide lists Army and Air Force stations across the country. There is a map of the US, with major highways and locations of the nearby installations. On the reverse side, these installations are listed by state, alphabetically. This chart uses a series of symbols to indicate what services are available at each installation (transit billets, medical and dental care, marina, nearby campgrounds, golf course, PX and commissary, and the like).

Next time you are in the Presidio PX, look for this item. It and a number of other informative brochures are available at the ID checker's desk.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, April 14, The Bad News Bears In Breaking Training (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, The Legend of Bigfoot (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, The Bad News Bears In Breaking Training (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, April 16, The Choirboys (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, April 17, The Choirboys (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18, Big Time (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19, A Bridge Too Far (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 20, A Bridge Too Far (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, April 14, Maniac (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, April 17, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, April 18, Thunder and Lightning (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, April 19, The Last 4 Days (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, April 20, Sky Riders (PG), 7 p.m.

### Oakland Army Base

Friday, April 14, Poco (G) 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 15, The One and Only (PG) 7 p.m.

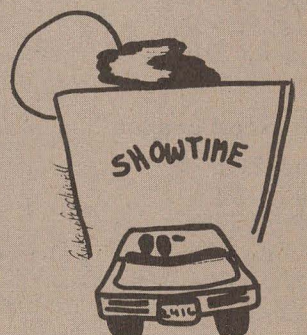
Monday, April 17, The Last 4 Days (PG) 7 p.m.

**THE CHOIRBOYS (R)** This film is a mixture of raunchy comedy and drama about a group of big-city cops and how they relieve the tensions and frustrations of being policemen. Their version of "choir practice" is a wild drinking party with plenty of girls, usually held in a city part.

**BIGTIME (PG)** The story is about 'Bigtime Eddie Jones' who wants something out of life, but the breaks haven't come his way. He borrows money from the mob, is being investigated by the IRS, the FBI and numerous agencies. Certain elements of sex and violence may be offensive.

### PETE'S DRAGON (G)

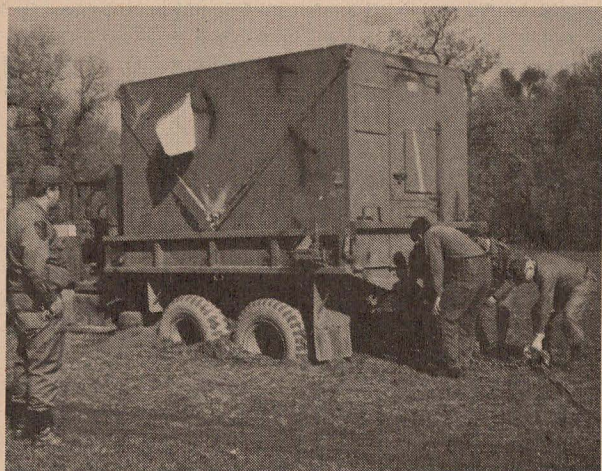
Disney magic is served up in this delightful comedy with music and partial animation. Elliott, the sometimes invisible dragon, is the friend of children in trouble. He and his pal, an orphan, escape from a nasty family and are taken in by a lighthouse keeper's daughter. When the townspeople realize that Elliott is real, the race is on to capture him.





# Up to the Axles ...

Battling mud, sludge, rain and the wrath of the dreaded mosquito can all be part of the Army Readiness Training and Evaluation Program (ARTEP). They **CAN** be, that is, if you're assigned to the 170th MP Co. and braved the rainy season with them recently at Camp Roberts.



"What do we do now?" That's what 504th MP Battalion soldiers are pondering in the mud at Ft. Irwin. (photo by Hector-Louis Reyes)

The unit moved 41 vehicles and a company of fully tactical combat MPs, with support equipment, a total of 660 miles during the ARTEP. After travelling to Camp Roberts, the soldiers set up night combat positions, and repelled aggressor forces with the help of 6th Army helicopters.

The aggressors, the 571st MP Co., from Fort Ord, CA, subjected the 170th to gas, artillery, simulators and vicious infantry-type assaults and probes.

During the exercise, underwater springs proved to be an enemy as hard to reckon with as the aggressors: eight vehicles stuck in mud when what appeared to be solid terrain suddenly turned to sludge, almost sucking the vehicles in. Four-wheel drive was completely ineffective and vehicles sunk to their axles, stranding all passengers.

The 1st Sgt. of HHD., 504th MP Bn, SFC James York, was dubbed "Submarine Captain" for his muddy work. After failing to heed a warning from members of the 170th MP Co.'s "Jeep Recovery Crew" (dubbed "Wafford and Sons") he managed to sink a 2½ ton common van up to its axles in mud. The motor officer, Chief Wolfbrandt, had some unprintable comments after that recovery operation.

All in all, the unit had a successful ARTEP and returned to the Presidio, where they were met by an escort provided by the Provost Marshal, and treated to cake and coffee by the unit's rear detachment.



Digging in at Camp Roberts, CA, is Sp4 Richard Eovaldi, 170th MP Co. He is preparing for an aerial and ground assault by aggressor forces during the unit's Army training test. (photo by Ronald Holmes)

## Star Presidian

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# Reservists become DIs at TI

When a United States Army Drill Instructor comes face to face with the United States Navy, anything can happen.

Recently, the 91st Division Leadership Academy, a school for Drill Instructors, gave the Navy at Treasure Island its introduction to DIs. Through the coordination of Sixth Army, Readiness Region IX (both headquartered at the Presidio) and the Directorate of Reserve Component Support (DRCS) quarters, classrooms, dining facilities, and other needed services were ready when the students arrived. The Presidio also helped with finance, supply and transportation support.

When the Navy met the DIs, the result was a mixture of cooperation and a curiosity over each other's customs and traditions. The Navy could not understand the Army's marching, screaming, and cadence calls at 5:30 in the morning, while the Army was puzzled over the fact that an aircraft hangar a half mile inland became a ship complete with quarterdeck.

It is understandable that the Navy had a difficult time understanding the Drill Instructors. In fact, the impression many people have of the Army Drill Instructor is of a clean-shaven gorilla with a Master's degree in harassment and a PhD in screaming. In spite of the not-so-fond memories many Army veterans have for their Drill Instructor, the image does not always correspond with reality. With the arrival of the all-volunteer Army, today's DI must be more than just the tough soldier with a booming voice.

The 91st Division Leadership Academy does not train gorillas. The modern Drill Instructor must be an intelligent and flexible guide for the young men and women entering today's Army. To be sure, Drill Instructor candidates spend a good amount of time learning how to march troops and give commands in a good military voice; however, this is only the beginning of their training. The students at the Academy must become proficient in several previously non-traditional areas, such as principles of leadership, counseling, transactional analysis, public speaking, and contemporary teaching methods.



Members of the 91st Div. Leadership Academy demonstrate prowess during a required PT test. Physical fitness training is a part of everyday life for the DI student.

During the training, many Navy personnel asked what the Army was doing on a Naval base. Logistics and centralized location with other units played a major role in the 91st Division Leadership Academy requesting Treasure Island for a training site. Several units which sent prospective Drill Instructors lie within a 50 mile radius of San Francisco. More important to the Army than the reasons for being at Treasure Island is the reception the Academy received from the Navy. In spite of the traditional dog/cat relationship that the Army and Navy are reputed to have, the 91st Division Leadership Academy personnel were consistent in their praise for the support and cooperation they received from Naval authorities at TI.

After graduation, the new Drill Instructors are prepared to work with their active duty counterparts at Basic Training sites throughout the country.

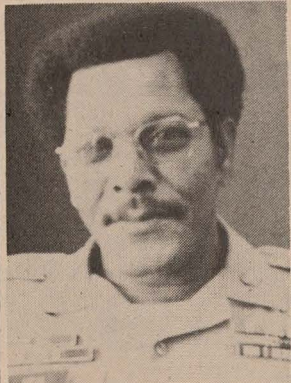
Why choose such a part-time profession in the first place? The answers are as varied as the people involved. Of the current class of 140, seven are women, eight are over forty, several have college degrees and two have Master's degrees. All have two things in common: they are all volunteers; and they are all dedicated to fulfilling the high standards set forth in the Drill Instructor's motto: "Lead by example."



# Ramblin' Sam



What do you like and dislike about the Star Presidian?



MSG Freddie Neal, Trans Opns NCO, LCA — "I like Crime Scene. It informs everyone of the problems the Presidio is encountering. It is real. I think this column should be extended. The paper is not long enough. It needs more news."



Mr. Edgar Roberts, Management Employee Relations Specialist, CPO — "I like the feature articles which appear on the front page. They are timely, and have been well done. For some reason the mostly dates and events, so I skip that part — except for Ramblin' Sam. I think the paper needs to be longer. I would like some articles to appear in the paper which would relate to the civilians, too."



Miss Kathy Canham, Clerk Typist, Army Ed Center — "I like Action Line. It's very valuable. It shows problems that we are experiencing on the Presidio, and proves to me that something is being done about them. I don't feel the paper reports enough on-post and off-post activities."



SFC Fortunato Untalan, Opns Sergeant, HHD, 504th MP Bn — "I think the paper is great. It keeps people informed, especially about unit accomplishments and about what's going on with activities on the Presidio. What I don't like is the paper is too small. The paper needs more pages of news."



Ms. Jeane Redsecker, College Coordinator, Army Ed Center — "I like Troop Talk. It shows me who the new commanders are, who is going to school, and who has been promoted. I question the priorities used for printing news in the paper. I feel that education is important, and sometimes I have problems getting education news into the paper."



Ted Elisee, Reporter, Star Presidian — "Hi! I'm 'Ramblin' Sam', Troop Talk, and Reporter for The Star Presidian. I'm new to the Presidio, and to the Journalism Field. I have really enjoyed my first six weeks in California. I want you to know that I appreciate all the support you can provide to make the paper successful. Don't hesitate to call me at any time with ideas for print. I am anxious to make the Star Presidian a great publication. Everyone on the Presidio can help make it just that. Hope to see you while ramblin' for Ramblin' Sam!"



Rebecca Hall, Editor, Star Presidian — "The Star Presidian is a small publication with a large audience potential — lower enlisted, NCOs, senior NCOs, junior and field grade officers, as well as a large number of retirees and civilians. With the current fund allocations, personnel are limited, as is the number of pages we print. However, we are authorized one eight-page newspaper each month, and, as personnel shortages permit, we will endeavor to supply that one eight-page edition to you. With such limited space, it is often difficult to find room for all the ideas and information submitted. This does not mean we do not appreciate contributions or that we will not use them at a future date."

## SNAFU

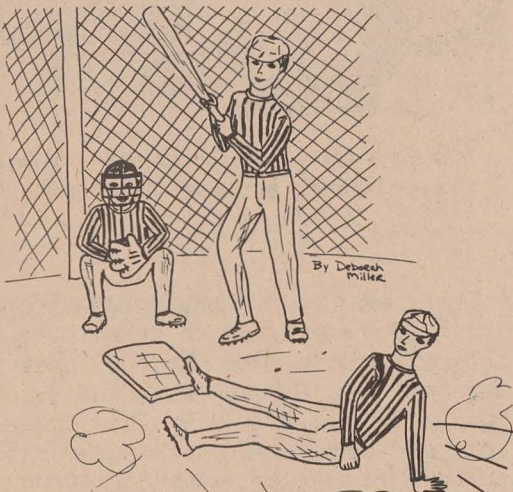
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



If you want to use it, you have to know how.



Answers to last week's: EULOGY, MIRROR, KNEEL, FORBID, AMBER  
ANSWER: UMBRELLA

# Troop Talk

170th MP Co. (Sgt. Tolley) — New arrivals to this unit are: Sp 4 Louis Cleveland (from Korea), PFC Eugene Eller (from Germany), Sgt. Harold Lopez (from Germany), PFC William Nelson (from Korea), Sp 4 Michael Morris (from Korea) and Pvts Errol Morgan, Bruce Starr, Daniel Hart, and Jeffrey Edberg, all from Ft. McClellan. The unit is busy getting ready for its AGI to be held April 27th.

504th MP Bn (Sp 4 Reyes) — Sgt. Stan Dancer (departing for Germany) and Sgt. Richard Allen (departing for Korea) received ARCOMs. Congrats guys! Sp 4 Sandra Van Skycok is off to a new and unusual career. Sandra is to become an Underwater Demolition Expert. Josette Lupoe has been promoted to PFC.

USAG (SSG Kelly) — Specialty Night at the Dining Facility is coming up. Featured will be "Seafood" — Lobster, too! The date - April 27th.

Public Affairs Office (Ted Elisee) — The Community Relations Branch is losing two valuable people - SSG Al West, and Sp 4 Marjorie Hatfield. Al is off to Camp Drum, and Marjorie is bound for Korea. We wish you a lot of luck and happiness.

D Co, 864th Engrs Bn, (SFC Cartwright) — There will be a change of command ceremony on April 24th. David French will be the new company commander succeeding Capt. John Dowell, who will be PCSing to Ft. Campbell.

HQ, Sixth Rgn, USACIDC (Capt. Ackerman) — The HQ welcomes the arrival of SFC Francisco NCOIC from Augsburg, Germany. SFC Santos will be NCOIC of the Communications Electronics Division.

## ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. In the park area on Fort Barry and going down to the beach, the speed limit is supposed to be 20 m.p.h. Most of the cars do not obey this. The MPs, when they are here, do a very good job of enforcing this; however, is there a chance of getting speed-bumps or some sort of method so we can keep the children in the area safe when the MPs aren't around? Also, up until a month or so ago there used to be larger shopping carts at the PX where a child could ride in the seat. Now, it seems the larger ones were taken out because the kids were left in them and would have a tendency to fall out or over. We have found the smaller carts seem to be more dangerous. We often use the larger ones and we've always stayed with our child when she was in the cart. Don't punish all for the lack of foresight of a few. Thank you.

CW2 Arnold Pack

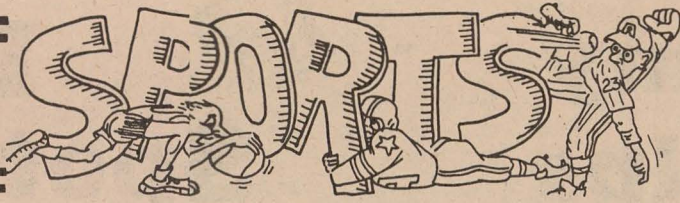
A. The larger shopping carts to carry children are available upon request. Thank you for your interest.  
G.E. Hourigan, Exchange Manager

AR420-72 prohibits the installation of speed-bumps for the purpose of traffic control. The MPs will, however, continue to monitor traffic within the housing area as often as possible. It should be realized that the majority of Fort Barry and Fort Cronkhite is under the administrative jurisdiction of the Park Service. Thank you for your concern.  
Capt. James Isom, Deputy Provost Marshal

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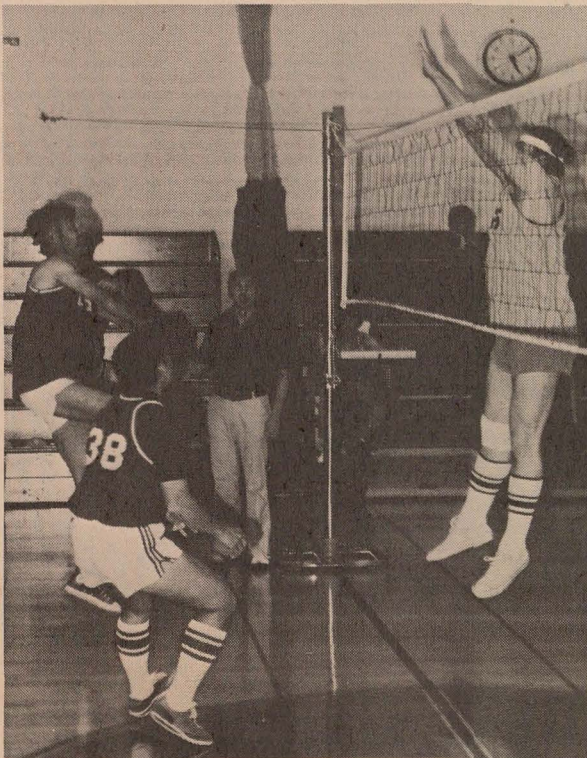




## Fun Run Race

The monthly Presidio Fun Run race was held Wednesday at Ft. Scott. The 4-mile race attracted 18 runners in four divisions. Winner of the Open division was **Glen Rouse**, of LAMC, who finished with a time of 23:47; second-place finisher **Sam Rojas**, of LAMC, had a time of 24:08. Leader in the Veteran division (over 30) was **Richard Reece**, LAMC, with a 23:57 time, while **Alison Jones** of LAIR had the top Women's time, 30:31. The top time by an Army civilian was **Roger Villafior's** 30:42.

## Volleyball



An Oakland Army Base player goes up in a spike attempt as 6th Army players Steve Holden, 15, and Ken Date, 38, look on. 6th Army eventually won the match by taking two of three from OAB with scores of 9-15, 15-2, and 15-8. (photo by Dan Jackson)

## Guest Editorial

by Don Elliot

The Presidio Cobras Soccer Team completed their regularly scheduled season two weeks ago. The Cobras, who gained the title "Riding High" from their opponents, were defeated in every game. This being their first year among some of the toughest, most aggressive and cohesive teams in San Francisco, the "Riding High" Cobras possessed a team spirit that is victorious on any field.

The Cobras were the only co-ed team in the league. This created some conflict among a few of the players, but not enough to break the morale and spirit of the team.

The "Riding High" Cobras often met with stiff and competitive teams that have been playing in the Flame League for years. To break such a systematic rhythm with teams of that caliber is often a tough nut to crack.

However, the Cobras learned the most important thing in the growing American sport of soccer: they learned not to be concerned with winning, but with the art and challenge of learning the game.

Outstanding defensive and offensive tactics exercised by the Cobras often slowed, and sometimes stopped, their opponents and, while often discouraged, the Cobras didn't stop hanging tough and tight the whole season.

The Cobras placed victoriously with spirit and courage, which gained them respect among their opponents and that is deserving of any championship, because like true champions, they would not settle for or accept the agony of defeat....and that kind of attitude and spirit would place first with any coach.

The Cobras are commended for "Riding High" throughout a tough season.

## Racketball Championship

The second Annual International Interservice Racketball Championships will be held June 8 - 11 at the U.S. Military Academy.

Nine events are scheduled with a maximum of 64 participants or teams allowed. The events are Open, Class B, Class C, Seniors (Age 35 as of June 8), Master (45 by June 8), Women's Open, Women's Novice, Open Doubles and Juniors (17 or under by June 11). Class B players are those with one to two years experience. Class C players are those with six months or less playing experience.

A total of ten courts, including two with glass walls, will be available for the four day tourney. Entry fees are \$20.00 per person with \$5.00 for a second event and \$10.00 extra for each team in the doubles. A person playing in a second individual event will not be eligible for doubles competition.

Eligibility has been expanded this year to include active duty military, Reservists, National Guard, retired military, military dependents and Department of Defense Civilian employees.

Tournament play includes single elimination rules with consolation brackets open to losers in only the first rounds.

Tournament Director is Major Buck R. Brumble, 118A U.S. Oval, Plattsburgh AFB, N.Y. 12903. For tournament entry forms write or call Brumble at 518-565-5227 or 518-561-8142.

## Yoga Classes

YOGA classes begin Wednesday, May 3, for a ten-week period, at a cost of \$25.00. The class will meet at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center. Sign-up now and join Swami Sivalingam in Beginning Yoga.

## Soccer Match

Last weekend's rained-out soccer match between the Presidio Strikers and the Olympia team from San Francisco for the Flame League Championship has been rescheduled for tomorrow morning at 11 a.m. at Lowell High School.

The Strikers go into the championship tilt with a record of ten wins and three losses, while Olympia has eleven wins and two losses — one coming at the hands of the Strikers.

## All-Star team selection



Selected to the San Francisco Flame League All Star Team from the Presidio Strikers Soccer Club were from left: Rocky Wicks, Jody Cason and Greg Keller. All offensive standouts, Wicks scored 18 goals during the season while Cason and Keller both accounted for nine each. The three Presidio All-Stars will be competing in the All-Star game this Sunday, beginning at 11 a.m., at Paul Goode Field here. (photo by Nick Rorick)

"You



Tell

'Em"

"You Tell 'Em" is the theme of the suggestion campaign which is being conducted April 15 through June 15, by the Presidio and all tenant activities. The purpose of the campaign is to solicit dollar-saving ideas from military and civilian personnel at the Presidio.

Department of the Army saved an estimated \$41.7 million dollars last year from the Suggestion Program. FORSCOM has assigned the Presidio a goal of \$110,341 for this fiscal year, and we need your ideas to achieve it.

A good suggestion identifies a specific problem, proposes a means of implementing change and identifies benefits to be realized through the change.

The Campaign "You Tell 'Em" is really a challenge to all personnel, because everyone has at least one good, money-saving idea to do the job better, faster, or with less resources. And, many times we hear people saying, "If I was running the place, I would....." Well, now's your chance. You Tell 'Em! What's in it for you? Well, here's some people who earned sizeable cash awards for money saving suggestions:

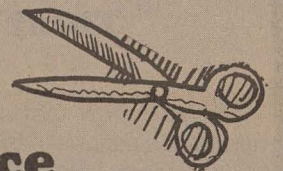
**Mrs. Betty Jewell**, LAMC, submitted a suggestion which saved the Army \$11,853 and received a check for \$580.00.

**Mr. Robert Bowen**, LAIR, submitted a suggestion which saved the Army \$4,382 and received a check for \$270.00.

**SSG Gerald Lubinski**, LAMC, submitted a suggestion which saved \$440.00 and received a check for \$45.00.

All you need is the right idea, a DA Form 1045, and a pen! Good luck.

Civil



Service

Reforms

"Civil service reform will be the centerpiece of government reorganization during my term in office... the most sweeping reform of the civil service system since it was created nearly 100 years ago." —from address by the President to the National Press Club, March 2, 1978.

The President has asked Congress to approve a Civil Service Reform Act which would lead to revitalization of the Federal civil service. At the same time the President sent Congress an advance copy of a Civil Service Reorganization Plan.

The major thrust of the proposed reforms is to provide managers adequate authority to manage, while protecting employees against arbitrary management decisions and preventing merit system abuse.

Among the recommendations are major proposals to relate the pay of managers and supervisors to performance; simplify the procedures for removing workers whose performance is unacceptable; create a corps of well trained and highly motivated senior executives; modify veterans' preference by strengthening programs for disabled and Vietnam era veterans, while ending the lifetime preference for non-disabled veterans; provide protections for whistle-blowers; and improve the organizational structure for personnel administration.

While revisions in the Federal labor-management relations program per se are not included in the Reform Act at this time, an independent Federal Labor Relations Authority is included in the Reorganization Plan, and the President has directed his Administration to work with the appropriate Congressional committees and Federal employees' representatives to develop a legislative proposal in this area.

It is expected that such improvements, as part of the civil service reform, will be developed before the Act is passed.



# Crime Scene

There is currently a hospital policy at Letterman Army Medical Center which advises patients to secure their valuables. It seems that many patients are not adhering to this policy and are having things stolen or come up missing.

Patients and hospital staff members owe it to themselves to make sure their valuables are secured either in the ward areas or at the Hospital Treasurer's Office. DA Form 3696, which a patient fills out upon entering the hospital, also advises that valuables be locked up.

Most crimes that occur at Letterman involve property which is left out in a room, even though the room may be locked. Usually, the property has been left on desk-tops, or in unlocked storage areas within the rooms.

Remember, if you lock a room to secure your property, be sure to lock personal items in a desk or other locked storage area. If you secure your valuables properly, the opportunity for theft is limited.

## Regulation Controversy

Privately owned weapons must be registered with the Provost Marshal's Office, Vehicle Registration Section. Personnel residing off-post are encouraged to register their weapons also, however, this does not relieve the owner from compliance with municipal, state, and federal statutes pertaining to weapon registration. For further information contact Sgt. R. Davis, Provost Marshal's Office, 561-3810.

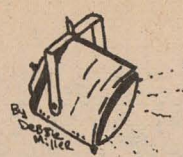
# Army Helps It's Own

The annual fund drive for Army Emergency Relief (AER) is underway. Colonel John D. Hamilton, Post Commander, spoke to fund drive key persons at a kick-off meeting recently. Hamilton added his support to the plea made by Army Chief of Staff General Bernard W. Rogers in a recent statement to members of the Army and their families; General Rogers reminded all Army personnel that the slogan of AER is "Dedicated to helping the Army take care of its own."

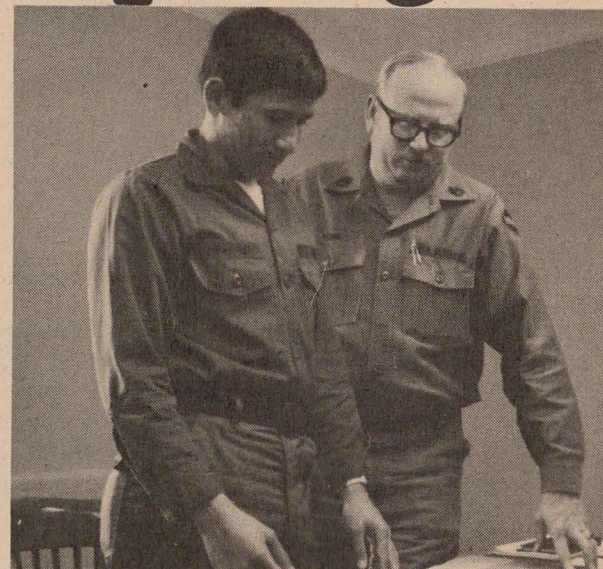
General Rogers reported that over five million eight hundred thousand dollars was contributed last year, the largest amount since World War II. Colonel Hamilton added that AER contributed over \$35,000 to more than 190 needy soldiers at the Presidio last year.

Eligibility for AER assistance is generally limited to active duty personnel, with some special exceptions. Financial aid from AER is provided as a loan without interest charges, or, in certain cases, as an outright grant of cash.

Funds to support financial assistance are obtained solely through contributions during the annual AER fund drive, and from unsolicited contributions, investment income and, of course, loan repayments. The success of the Army Emergency Relief Program is primarily dependent upon the support of each military member assigned to extended active duty. "The Army taking care of its own" is a fact only because each service member helps to make it so with his full support.



# PSF Spotlight



Lt. Manuel Martinez has moved up to a different job. As the new company commander for HHD, 504th MP Bn, Lt. Martinez has 70 people under his command. The 23-year-old Kearney, AZ, native is now living in Mill Valley and states that California living is fine.

The lieutenant attended the University of Arizona, on a ROTC Scholarship, majoring in Correctional Administration. He finished Officer's Basic at Ft. McClellan, AL, and was assigned as a platoon leader for the 170th MP Co. here. Lt. Martinez held this position for eighteen months before assuming command of HHD, 504th. Pictured here, Lt. Martinez discusses improvements for the company area with his 1SG, SFC James York.

# News Break

## Think Metric

Did you know that as of January, 1974, the only non-metric nations in the world were Burma, Guyana, Muscat, Nauru, Oman, Tonga, Yemen, and the United States?!!

In spite of our resistance to change, we are slowly converting to the metric system. Already you will find metric measure in some food packaging and in many hospitals for patient statistics and dispensing of drugs. The pharmaceutical industry and photographic industry use metric measure. If you were 170 centimeters tall and weighed 90 kilograms, would you be overweight?

The metric system is moving into the United States. If you want to be prepared, sign up **now** for the course "Think Metric" to be held at the Fort Scott Education Center beginning May 8th. The class is free and will meet for three Mondays from 6 to 7 p.m.

Learn the relationship of the English and Metric systems. Learn how to apply metric measure to length, area, volume, capacity, and weight.

For more information or to enroll, please visit or call the Learning Lab at 561-2974 or 561-4445.

## Discount Tickets

The Recreation Center ITT Office has Great America discount tickets good for \$1.00 off the regular price of admission for adults (\$8.95). On either Saturday, April 22, or Sunday, April 23, children ages 4 through 11, who come in costume as a Bugs Bunny or Sylvester the Cat look-alike, will be admitted free.

The park is open all day from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission includes unlimited use of all the rides, shows and attractions.

## Laguna Seca Races

The Recreation Center ITT Office has discount tickets for the Laguna Seca Road Races to be held in Monterey on Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29. The price of the tickets is \$8.00 for the two days. This discount is approximately one half of the regular admission price. A limited number of VIP tickets are also available. These regularly sell for \$25.00 but are available at the Recreation Center ITT Office for \$18.50. Hours of operation are Mon.-Tue.-Thu.-Fri., 2-6 p.m., and Wed., 4-6 p.m., Sat.-Sun., 2:30-6 p.m.

## Winery Tour

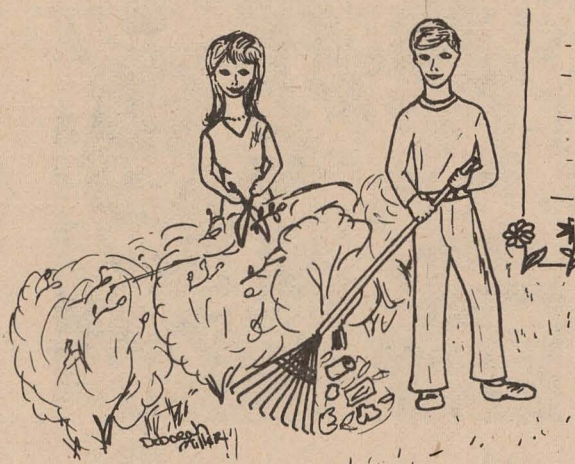
On Sunday, May 7, the Recreation Center will sponsor a tour to two wineries in the Napa Valley. Transportation will be by chartered bus. The tour is limited to military personnel and dependents. For additional information about all programs and sign-up for the tour, please call the Recreation Center at Ext 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

## Mother's Day

Win a dozen red roses to be telegraphed to your Mother on Mother's Day. For additional information on these and other programs drop by the Recreation Center or call Ext. 2000/5420 after 1:30 p.m.

## Comedy Films

Visit the Recreation Center and enjoy 3 hours of old time comedy films featuring Charlie Chaplin, W.C. Fields, Laurel & Hardy, and Buster Keaton, Saturday, April 22, at 2 p.m. and Sunday, April 23, at 4 p.m.



The annual "Spring Clean-up Campaign" is being held today and tomorrow. Be proud that you have the opportunity to pitch in and keep the Presidio beautiful. Remember that the engineers will cart away all your extra junk on Sunday. Thanks!!!

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, April 21, Pete's Dragon (G), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, April 22, Pete's Dragon (G), 2 and 7 p.m.  
Sunday, April 23, Semi-Tough (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, April 24, Semi-Tough (R), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 25, Breaker! Breaker! (PG), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 26, Here Comes the Bride (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, April 27, Carrie (R), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, April 21, The Bad News Bears in Breaking Training (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, April 24, The Choirboys (R), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, April 25, Big Time (PG), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, April 26, A Bridge Too Far (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, April 27, At the Earth's Core (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, April 21, Big Time (PG), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, April 22, The Choirboys (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, April 24, Pete's Dragon (G), 7 p.m.



### SEMI-TOUGH (R)

This loose and rowdy comedy revolves around this question: Will Barbara Jane Bookman (Jill Clayburgh) make it to the altar with Shake Tiller (Kris Kristofferson), a pass receiver on her father's team, or will she be intercepted along the way by Billy Clyde Puckett (Burt Reynolds)? It doesn't matter whether you win or lose, just as long as you score.

### HERE COMES THE BRIDE

(PG) When Robin Strasser finds her husband with his mistress during the wedding reception, it brings out her evil nature and a vengeance nobody seems able to stop. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

### PETE'S DRAGON (G)

Disney magic is served up in this delightful comedy with music and partial animation. Elliott, the sometimes invisible dragon, is the friend of children in trouble. He and his pal, an orphan, escape from a nasty family and are taken in by a lighthouse keeper's daughter. When the townspeople realize that Elliott is real, the race is on to capture him.

### THE CHOIRBOYS (R)

This film is a mixture of raunchy comedy and drama about a group of big-city cops and how they relieve the tensions and frustrations of being policemen. Their version of "choir practice" is a wild drinking party with plenty of girls, usually held in a city part.



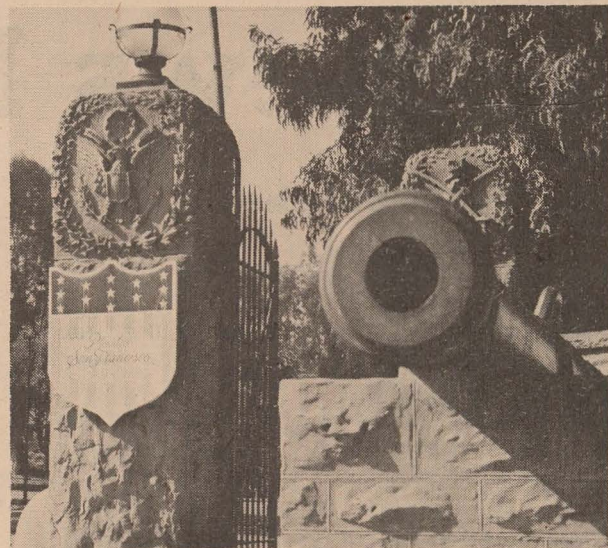
# A Message to PSF On Closure

I have been advised by the Secretary of the Army of a plan to study the Presidio for possible consolidation or reduction of activities. This is part of a larger Army study of 29 installations and activities across the country. The purpose of this study is to achieve a more efficient and effective operating structure throughout the Army by reducing and consolidating activities wherever practical and in keeping with the overall mission of the Army and the Department of Defense.

Here at the Presidio, the candidate actions to be studied include: reduction of activities on this post to minimum essential, closure or reduction of Letterman Hospital to clinic status, and closure of Fort Baker entirely. In addition to these proposals, all other feasible and practical alternatives to the candidate actions will be carefully considered as part of the study effort. The study will begin immediately and will take place over the next ten months or so. As decisions are reached, they will be announced by Department of the Army, and I will be advising you of all official information I receive.

All civilian employees affected by the final realignment decisions will be given maximum assistance in continuing their careers as federal employees. They could be transferred with their function or reassigned to other federal positions. Our civilian personnel office will be providing all possible assistance in this area.

Although exact figures are not available yet, we estimate that at least 65% of the military and civilian positions affected at Presidio may remain in the Bay Area. Certain activities may be transferred to Oaknoll Naval Medical Center,



to the Naval Station at Treasure Island, to Travis Air Force Base, and to Fort Ord in Monterey.

I want each of you to understand that no final decision has been made. These proposals, and others which may develop, will be carefully studied until the best course of action for the Army mission is determined. Only then will actions be taken at Presidio. I will keep you advised of progress in the study as soon as I have the information.

  
JOHN D. HAMILTON, SR.  
Colonel, Armor  
Commanding

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# We Are Not Alone

by Rebecca Hall

The philosopher Dryden once said, "Solitude is as needful to the imagination as society is wholesome for the character."

But in today's computerized society, with rules and regulations infringing upon everyone, solitude and privacy often get folded, spindled and mutilated.

Privacy in the Army can be even harder to come by. Besides being numbered, charted, categorized, and slotted like everyone else, soldiers who live in military housing, shop in military stores and spend their leisure time with their military co-workers can easily feel swallowed up by the "green machine."

Each person needs to have a quiet place to go for silent reflection, to be with friends, and to relax. Those soldiers who live off post or in family housing have this quiet place: their individual homes. But, where do the soldiers who live in the barracks go? How much privacy is afforded them for silent reflection after a busy day?

A lot of soldiers strongly object to their lack of privacy. This is what those we interviewed had to say:

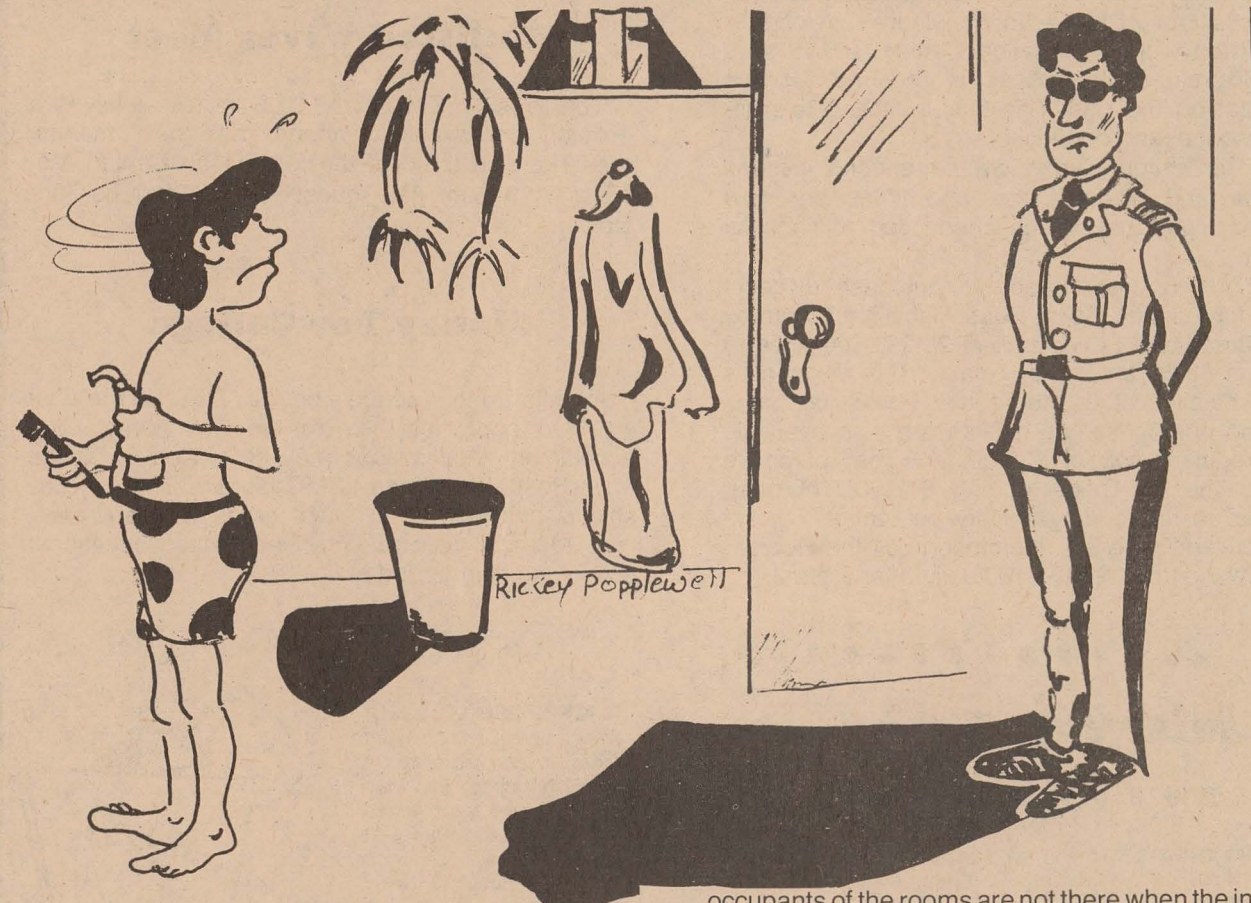
"The main problem I've had with privacy," explained PFC Debbie Miller, HQ Co., USAG, "is when the commander has special inspections where they come through the rooms. That's no privacy. And they can really get picky about things like dust. I also think you should be notified or present when an inspection is being conducted — I mean other than the normal Wednesday morning one."

Although many soldiers share this point of view, there are also those who feel inspections are a necessary part of life in the barracks.

"I feel that I have privacy, in that I have my own room," Sp4 Ronnie Ewing, 16th AG Det. (Postal) says, "but I have a very open lifestyle. I feel that inspections are a definite necessity due to the fact that it makes people maintain a high level of living standards."

There are conflicting views about inspections among soldiers who live in the barracks; but the unit commanders responsible for the barracks are pretty much in agreement on the subject.

"Announced command inspections are made once a month," explained Capt. Wayne Lamb, 16th AG Det. (Postal). "During these inspections I check for the cleanliness of the room, the neatness of the lockers, security, fire hazards, and for effective crime preven-



tion measures. I'm looking for anything that would affect or contribute to the health and environment of my troops. Everything is above the table with nothing sneaky ever pulled. The only time I will go into a room to look for contraband items is when I have probable cause.

"My inspections are not witch hunts," Capt. Lamb continued. "These inspections deal with things that are of IG/Command interest. If there are recurring deficiencies, I check them the following week to make sure they are corrected. I don't dictate what the troops' rooms are to look like, either. It's up to their own tastes."

Capt. Thomas Smith, HQ Co., USAG, had this to say, "These inspections are held, as they are at all military installations, to be sure the living area for the troops is kept up as much as possible. The reason the

occupants of the rooms are not there when the inspections are conducted is because they would be there until noon. Now, I don't think the duty sections would appreciate losing manpower for a half-day each week.

"These inspections include more than just checking for cleanliness," Capt. Smith continued. "We check for defective lights, windows, anything not as it should be. This way, we know what needs work and we can get something going to have the problem corrected."

Military life has its problems and its compensations; life in the barracks is no exception. While inspections may be an invasion of privacy, when it comes down to brass tacks, they are a necessary evil. But, on the brighter side, as Sgt. Alex Fazekas, Training NCO, 864th Engrs., put it: "I've been in the Army a long time and barracks life is a heck of a lot better now than it used to be."



# ... News Break ...

## Wives Luncheon

The Presidio Officers' Wives Club will hold their final luncheon of the year on May 4, at 10 a.m. at the Presidio Golf Club. The menu will feature Crab and Shrimp Louie, rolls and butter, and a beverage. The price is \$6.00.

Featured entertainment will be Leon and his Magic Violin. The installation of the new board for 1978-79 will also be held.

For reservations call L. Bateman, 561-6027, B. Hall (Marin), 561-7337 or S. Dillon (Daly City), 994-8031. Reservations or cancellations must be made by Monday, May 1.

## Fashion Show

A fashion show sponsored by the Lighthouse For The Blind will be held on Thursday, May 4, from 4-7 p.m. at the Presidio Officers' Club.

Professional models will be on hand. The first showing will be a unique show for the blind, and after refreshments the second showing will be for the sighted. Tickets are \$5.00. For information call the San Francisco Lighthouse Center at 431-1481, ext. 16.

## Spring Forward

Spring is in the air, and with it comes the change in Daylight Savings Time. Saturday night will be the time to set your clocks forward one hour. Remember....Spring - forward!

## Rec Center News

Yoga classes begin Wednesday, May 3 for a ten-week period, at a cost of \$25.00. The class will meet at 7 p.m. in the Recreation Center. Be sure and sign-up now!

On Sunday, May 7, the Recreation Center will sponsor a tour of Napa Valley wineries. A charter bus will leave the Recreation Center at 8:45 a.m. A \$1.00 refundable deposit is required to hold your seat on the bus. This tour is limited to military personnel and dependents.

The Recreation Center will be offering lessons in guitar and piano. Dates and times are now being arranged and will be announced as soon as possible.

This is your last chance to purchase discount tickets for Laguna Seca Road Races in Monterey on Saturday and Sunday, April 28-29. The price of tickets is \$8.00 for the two days. This discount is approximately half of the regular admission price. A limited number of VIP tickets are also available which regularly sell for \$25.00. You may purchase these at the ITT Office for only \$18.50. This offer is limited to active duty military personnel. For ticket, tour, and program information call the Recreation Center at Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, April 28, Carrie (R), 7 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 29, Pippi On The Run (G), 2 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 29, Mackintosh and T.J. (PG), 7 p.m.  
 Sunday, April 30, Saturday Night Fever (R), 7 p.m.  
 Monday, May 1, Saturday Night Fever (R), 7 p.m.  
 Tuesday, May 2, Saturday Night Fever (R), 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday, May 3, Get Mean (PG), 7 p.m.  
 Thursday, May 4, Island of Dr. Moreau (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, April 28, Pete's Dragon (G), 7 p.m.  
 Monday, May 1, Semi-Tough (R), 7 p.m.  
 Tuesday, May 2, Breaker! Breaker! (PG), 7 p.m.  
 Wednesday, May 3, Here Comes The Bride (PG), 7 p.m.  
 Thursday, May 4, Mackintosh and T.J. (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, April 28, Breaker! Breaker! (PG), 7 p.m.  
 Saturday, April 29, Semi-Tough (R), 7 p.m.  
 Monday, May 1, Carrie (R), 7 p.m.

## Day of Prayer

A special "Prayer Vigil for Terra" will be held from sunrise to sunset at the Band Concourse, Golden Gate Park, tomorrow.

The regularly scheduled Band Concert will be from 2 to 4 p.m., with the day's activities revolving around it. From 9 a.m. on there will be choral groups, patriotic songs and religious music. All those interested are encouraged to attend.

## LAMC Exercise

Don't be alarmed if you see ambulances rushing around post Saturday. Letterman is conducting a mass casualty exercise from 6 to 11 a.m. The exercise will involve the use of large numbers of realistically simulated casualties who will go through processing in the Outpatient lobby, and will be dispersed to various nursing units, clinics or the morgue. The lobby area will be heavily congested with exercise participants and equipment, so others who do not have urgent business are urged to stay away from the area during the exercise.

## Employee Of The Year

The First Annual Federal Employee of the Year Awards Program to be sponsored by the San Francisco Federal Executive Board will be held in early September, 1978.

The program will provide managers eight categories in which to recognize outstanding Federal Employees. The categories include: Professional, Management, Technical, Clerical, Trades and Crafts, Handicapped, Service to the Community, and Equal Employment Opportunity.

You are urged to solicit nominations from within your organization. Nomination forms are available at the Incentive Awards Office, Civilian Personnel Office, Bldg. 37. Nominations must be submitted to the CPO not later than May 3.

## Enlisted Wives Meet

The Presidio EM Wives' Club invites all wives of enlisted personnel to attend their next monthly meeting. Join them at the Recreation Center, May 1, at 7:30 p.m. The guest speaker will be Mrs. Bowen.

## Money For College

Attention high school grads! This is the last week to apply for the Presidio EM Wives' Club scholarship. Applications may be picked up at the Main Post Library and LAMC Library. The scholarship is available to all 1978 grads who are planning to enter college or an accredited vocational school, so sign up today.

### MACKINTOSH & T.J. (PG)

Drifter and ex-ranch hand (Roy Rogers) picks up 14 year old vagrant T.J. They find work on a ranch where Roy is suspected of the mysterious murder of Joan Hackett's husband. Help comes from T.J. and the ranch manager. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

### SATURDAY NIGHT

**FEVER (R)** This intense and alive film is a story about Tony Manero (John Travolta), who works in a paint store by day, but becomes a disco king every Saturday night. The raw power music is generated by the Bee Gees.



### GET MEAN (PG)

When an American cowboy (Tony Anthony) attempts to return a gypsy princess to Spain, they are caught between two armies and she is captured. After several tries to free her, he decides to GET MEAN. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.

# Crime Scene

Last week three wallets were stolen from Letterman. One was taken from a drawer in an unlocked room; another was stolen when the owner left it in a telephone booth for a few minutes.

We can eliminate this type of crime if we work together. If staff and patients on the wards will become personally involved in security, and if they will assist in identifying those who do not belong on the wards, then we can rid ourselves of this menace!

Do your part; the securing of personal property alone will go a long way toward achieving our goal of eliminating larcenies.

Any information concerning this type of crime should be reported to the Military Police Investigations Section at Ext. 4217/4721.

**Crime Scene is a weekly Star Presidian column furnished by the Presidio Provost Marshal's Office.**

# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q. I'm wondering if the Presidio is going to install anti-theft devices for motorcycles? They're like cement blocks in the ground, and you can chain your motorcycle to them. Thank you.**

Sp5 Thomas Nemeth

**A.** The Provost Marshal's Crime Prevention Section has conducted a survey on the Presidio, and has recommended that motorcycle racks be installed throughout the post to allow owners to secure their bicycles and motorcycles. This survey was incorporated into the overall Physical Security Upgrade Program for the Presidio, but was not approved due to lack of funds. A follow-up letter to Commanders encouraging them to use existing resources, such as telephone poles and other fixed objects to which motorcycles could be secured, has been sent out. Limited funding may be available to support work orders requesting the installation of I-Bolts set in concrete to which motorcycles may be secured. Work Orders should be submitted by Commanders after a careful evaluation of existing resources has been made. So, your next step should be to contact your unit commander and ask him to submit a Work Order.

**LTC Carolyn H. Cain**  
 Provost Marshal

# Photo Finish

The Presidio-level winners of the Interservice Photography Contest have been announced. The first place winners (each in a different category) are as follows:

**BLACK AND WHITE:**  
 John Hutton, for "Art on the Wind."  
 Lisa Kanemoto, for "Friends."  
 John Dominge, for "Nevada Landscape #1."  
 James Canfield, for "Friend or Foe."

**COLOR PRINTS:**  
 Jeffrey Usse, for "Inquisitive Cat."  
 Dotty Hall for, "Anne #2."  
 James Canfield, for "Teton."  
 James Hendrickson, for "Time Machine."

**COLOR SLIDES:**  
 James Hendrickson, for "Morning Plant."  
 Elyse Eisner, for "Two Korean Grandfathers."  
 C.T. Wirtz, for "Clouds Over San Francisco."  
 Lisa Kanemoto, for "Self Portrait #3 — My Dream With Hitler."

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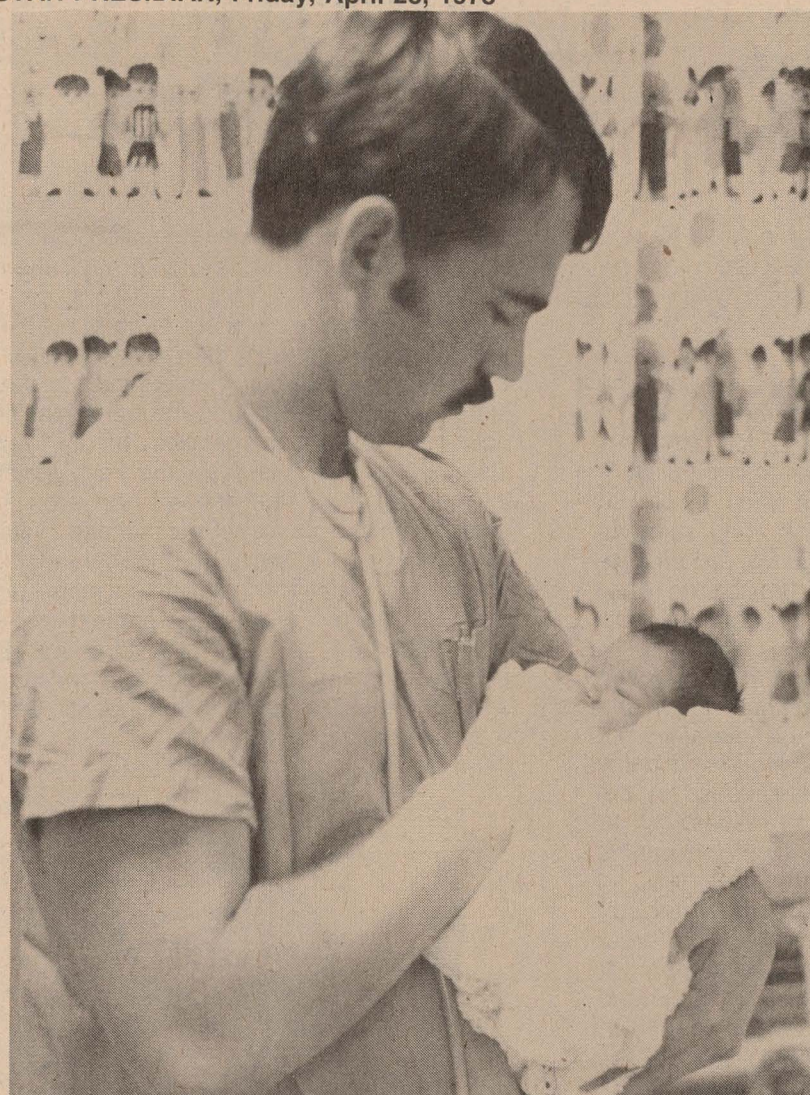
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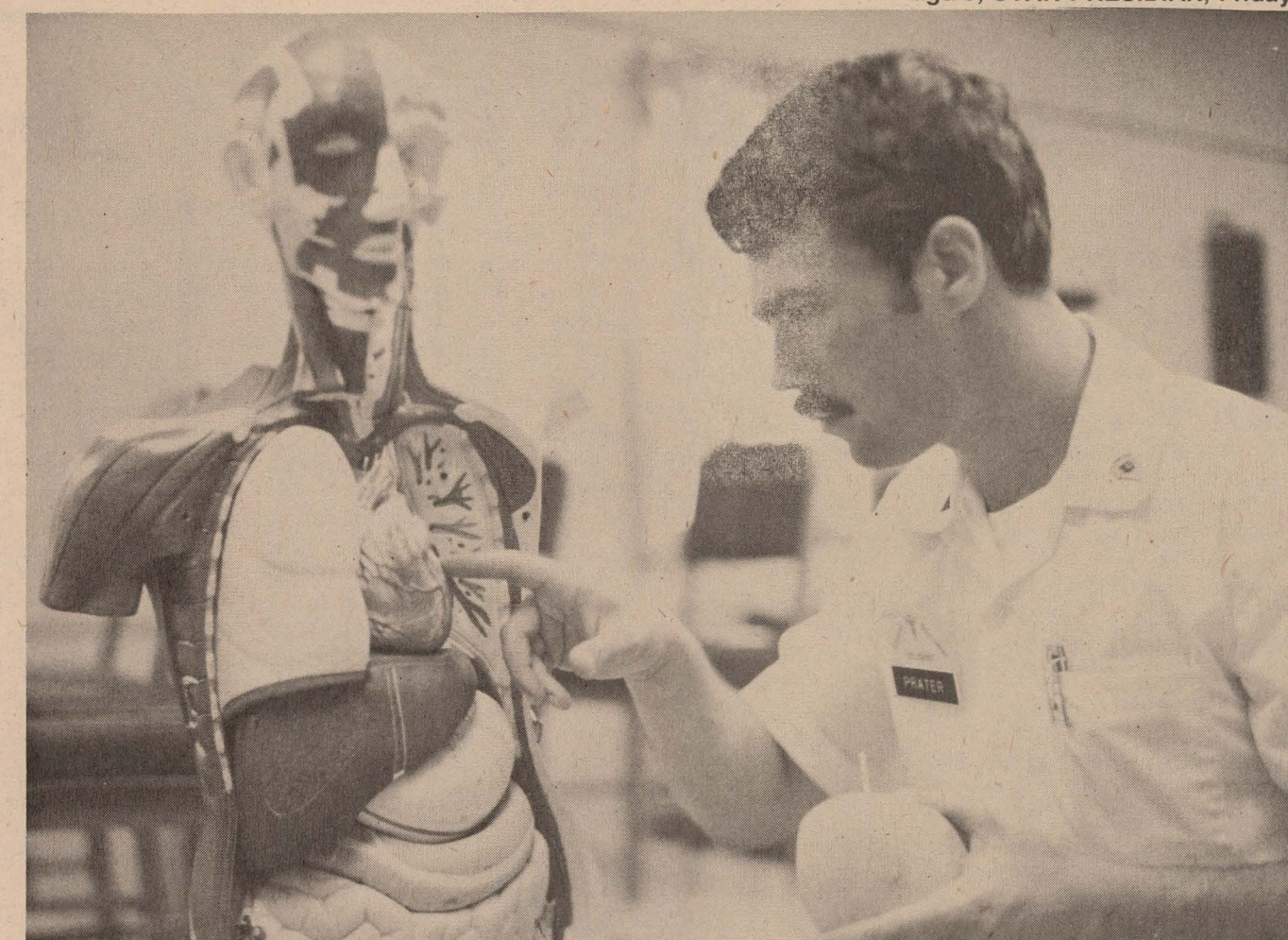
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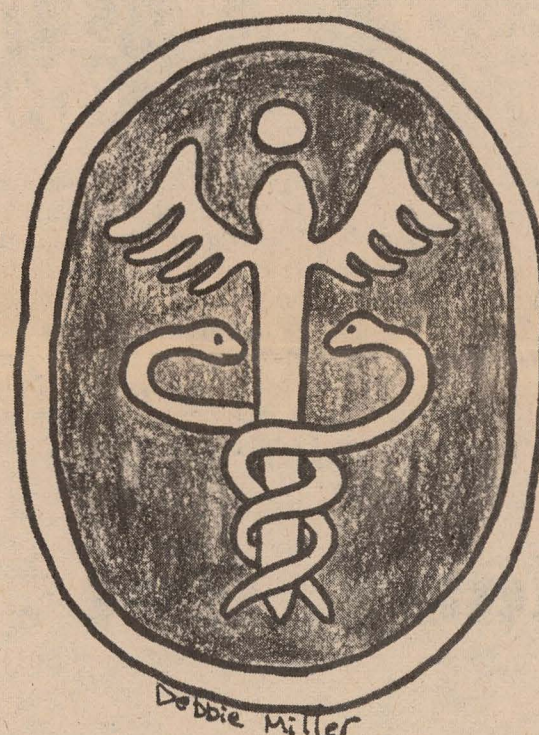
Care for the newborn can be a heart warming experience.



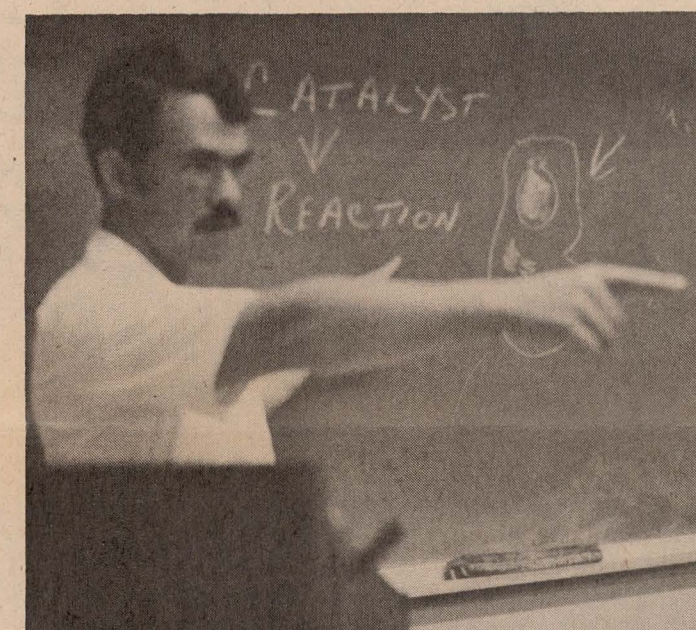
Critical care requires concentration and quick reflex.



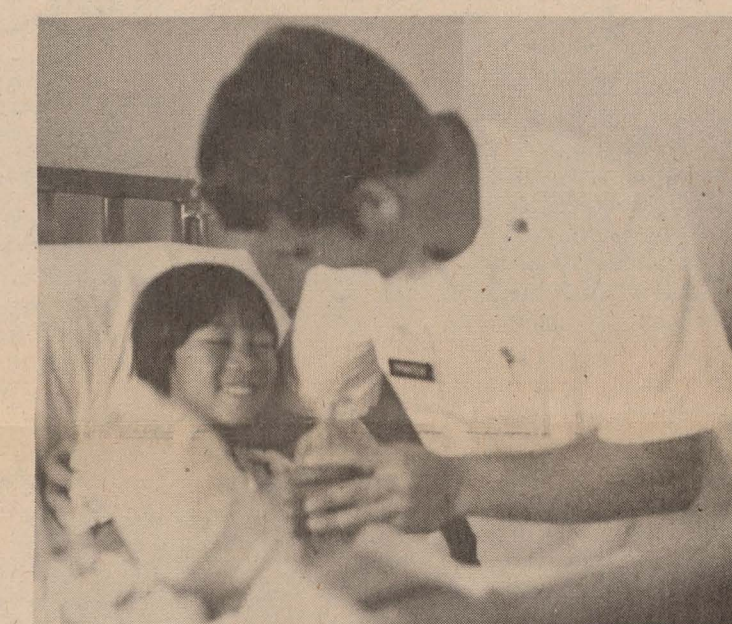
Anatomy is a major part of study in the medical field.



story and photos by Ted Elisee



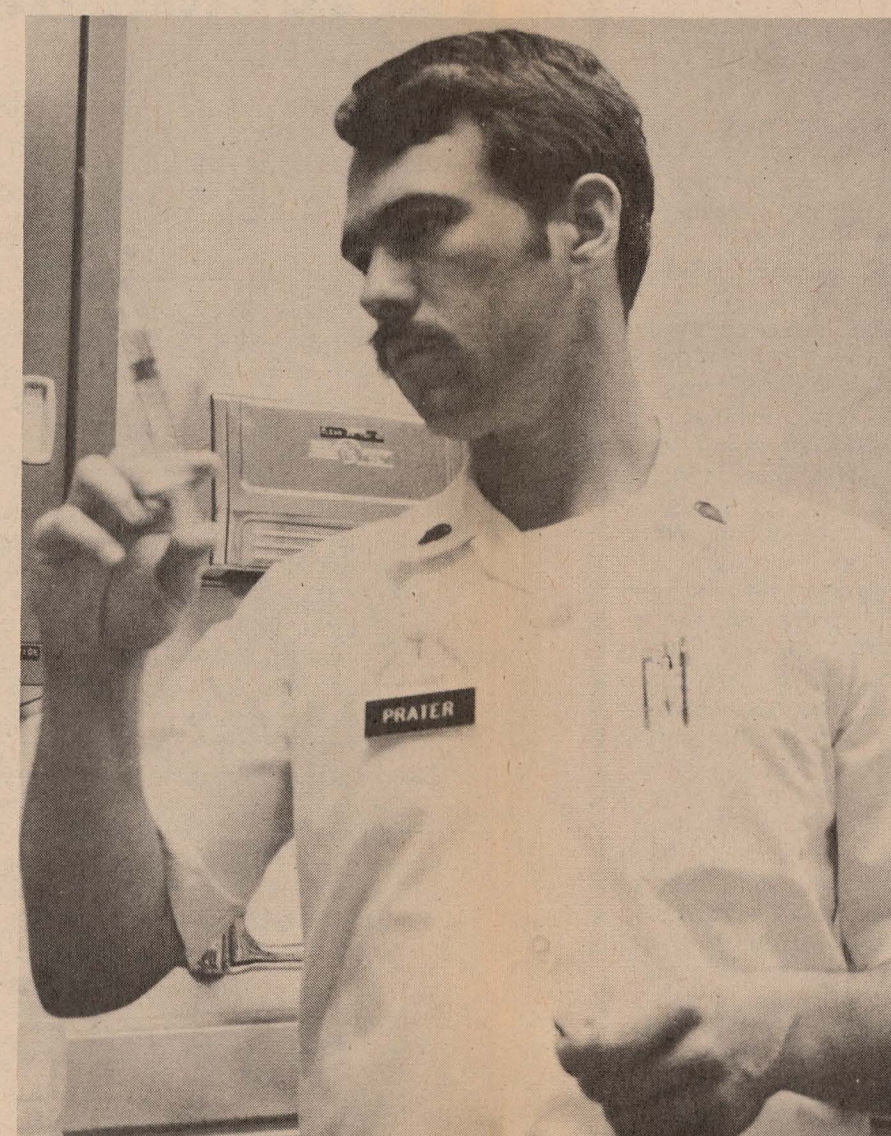
"Confidence on your feet" is the goal of briefing assignments for the medical student.



Caring for someone can be a two way street.



Adult care begins with a blood pressure check.



Careful watch of medicinal dosage is emphasized in student training.

**Sp5 Don Prater, 25, of Los Angeles, grew tired of the lack of person-to-person contact in the Personnel Management Field and re-enlisted to become a Clinical Specialist (91C) last year.**

**Says Don, "The course I am attending here is a good one. The instructors are professional and the experience I am receiving on the wards is invaluable."**

**Specialist Prater is one of many students attending the 91C (Clinical Specialist) course conducted at Letterman Army Hospital. At the end of his one year of classroom and OJT training at Letterman, Don will be able to take state boards in order to qualify as a Licensed Practical Nurse.**

**"The Army is giving me great satisfaction. The medical training I am getting is another step towards my eventual goal — to become a Physician's Assistant," Don commented.**

**Don is content in his student environment and looks forward to the day when his person-to-person contact will be fulfilling.**



# Calling All Vets

by Jeane Redsecker

## No Need To Wait

Many Army personnel do not know that benefits can be used while on active duty, after 181 consecutive days have been served. Benefits are, however, paid at a different rate than those paid to a discharged veteran. For instance, a single vet who takes two college courses and is considered attending half time would receive \$156 dollars per month during the school term. Someone on active duty would receive the cost of tuition and fees actually paid to the school, not to exceed \$156 per month. Both individuals would use up the same number of months of benefits.

For further information, contact your Army Education Center counselor, located in Bldg 1216 or Bldg 1007 (for LAMC/LAIR personnel) or call extension 2974 at Fort Scott or extension 4030 at LAMC.

## VETERAN'S EDUCATIONAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (VEAP)

If you came on active duty after January 1, 1977, you are probably eligible for Veteran's Educational Assistance Program (VEAP) benefits. Individuals who came in under the Delayed Entry Program may be eligible for the GI Bill instead of VEAP. The best way to find out which program you qualify for is to check items 19a and 20a on your DD Form 1966, Enlistment Contract, which should be in your personnel records. If the dates in blocks 19a and 20a are after January 1, 1977, VEAP is your program.

## Your Contribution +200% Interest

To take advantage of VEAP, you must contribute a minimum of \$50 per month for 12 consecutive months while you are on active duty. The maximum you may contribute is \$75 per month for 36 months. The Veterans Administration will provide \$2.00 for each \$1.00 of your contribution when you use your education benefits. You couldn't find a better investment!

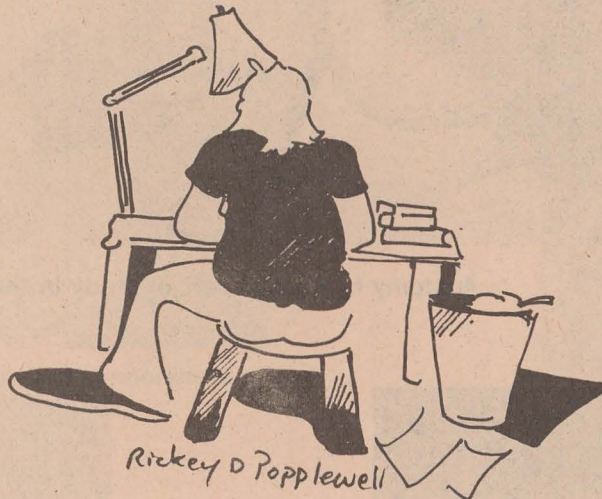
## Using Your Benefits

You can begin using your VEAP benefits after you have completed your first enlistment, or six years of active duty, whichever is less. If you reenlist, you can use the benefits while you are in service; if you separate, you may use them within 10 years of your discharge date. The amount you get is calculated this way: your total contribution plus

the VA's contribution divided by the number of months you contributed. For example, if you saved the maximum of \$75 per month for 36 months, your contribution would amount to \$2700 plus the VA's \$5400. This would give you \$225 a month for 36 months.

## How to Enroll

Go to Finance and Accounting and ask to start an EDSAV allotment by filing a DA Form 1341. Decide how much you want to contribute each month - \$50, \$55, \$60, \$65, \$70 or \$75. If you start with one amount you can change it by filing another DA 1341. Make sure you budget for this allotment, since you must do it for at least 12 consecutive months and you cannot obtain your money until separation or reenlistment.

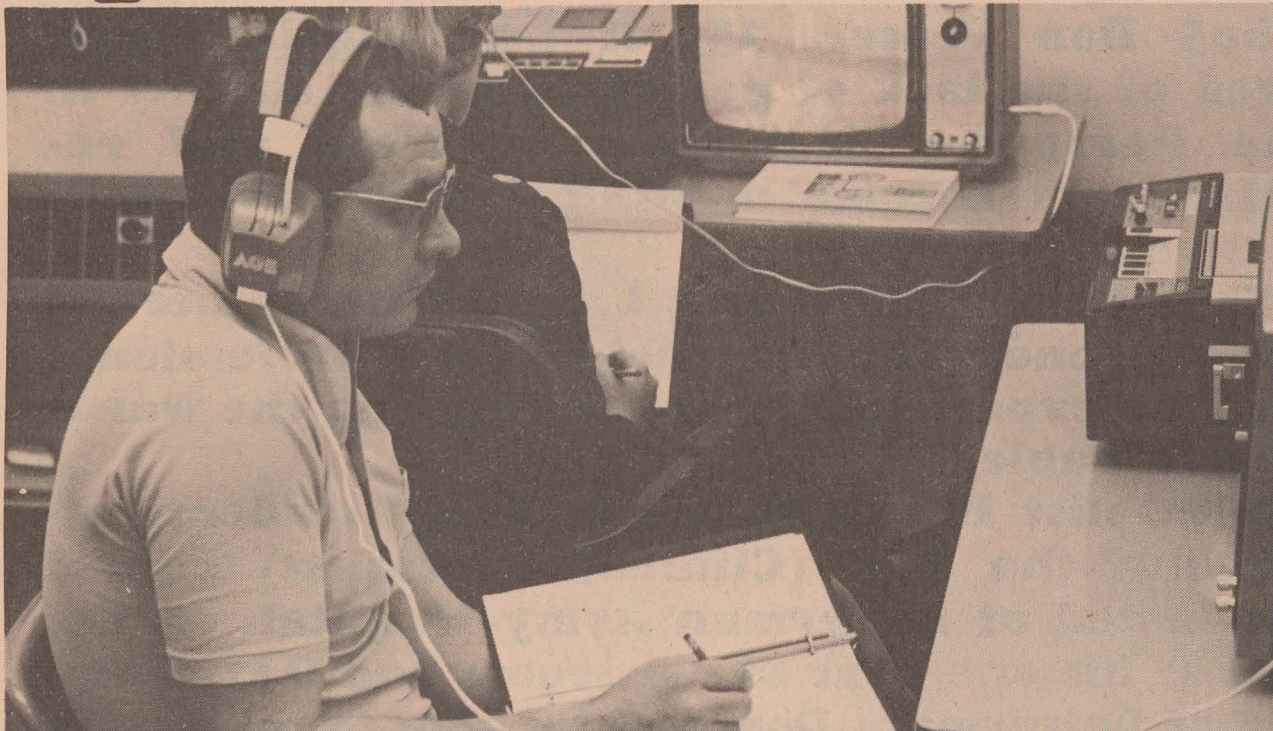


## Uncertain?

Whether you reenlist in the Army or re-enter civilian life, education will probably play a part in your future, and VEAP was designed to help you reach your educational goals. If, however, you decide that you do not wish to use your VEAP benefits, you may request the VA to refund your contribution to you. They will return your money, but not, of course, the VA's contribution.

For further information about VEAP, contact your Army Education Center counselor, located in Bldg 1216 or Bldg 1007 (LAMC/LAIR personnel) or call extension 2974 at Fort Scott or extension 4030 at LAMC.

# Up With Education



Learning by video-cassette is the way to go in the Universal College Program. All class lectures are on tape. (photo courtesy of Ft. Scott Education Center)

by Cheryl Sylvester

Five years ago the need military personnel have for acquiring their education on an independent-study basis was recognized in California. Pacific College established the Universal College Program on fifteen bases throughout the state. This program is fully accredited through the Western Association of Schools and Colleges and is VA approved.

How does the Universal College Program work? A student who enrolls for a semester takes four courses over a twenty week period. But, instead of taking these simultaneously, he/she takes one

course at a time for five weeks. During this period he listens to lectures by video-cassette, reads, and completes a workbook, midterm and final exam. Upon completion of sixty units (20 courses) the student is granted an Associate of Arts Degree in general studies. By the middle of July, the Presidio's Universal College Program will have its complete library of tapes to offer the student at any time.

For further information about this independent study program contact Cheryl Sylvester at the Ft. Scott Education Center or call ext. 3958.

## GI Bill: Use It or Lose It?

If you came on active duty before January 1, 1977, have served or will serve for 181 continuous days, and are not dishonorably discharged, you are probably entitled to educational benefits, known as the GI Bill, from the Veteran's Administration.

## Higher Rates

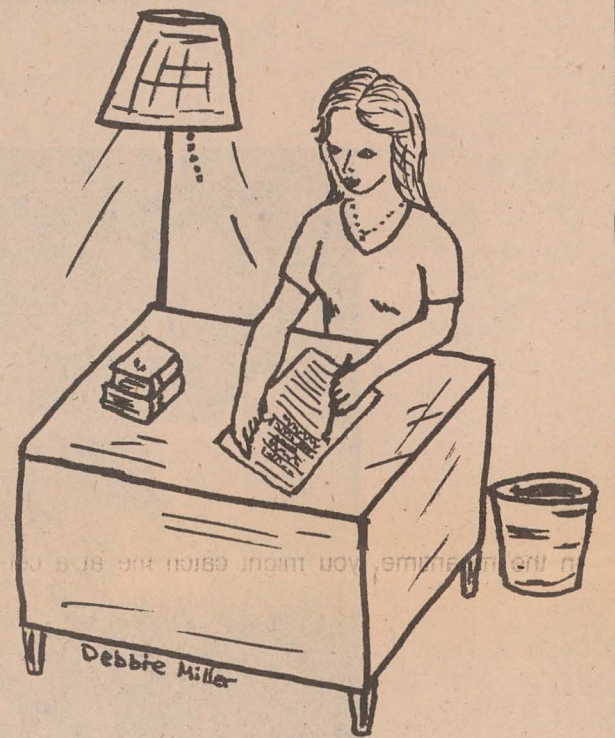
Congress recently raised GI Bill rates (see chart). A veteran with no dependents, for instance, could collect nearly \$14,000 at current rates for attending school full time for 45 months.

## Chart

| MONTHLY BENEFIT RATES            | Single | One Dep | Two Dep | Add Dep |
|----------------------------------|--------|---------|---------|---------|
| Full-time (12 or more units)     | \$311  | \$370   | \$422   | \$26    |
| Three-Quarter time (9-11½ units) | \$233  | \$277   | \$317   | \$19    |
| Half-time (6-8½ units)           | \$156  | \$185   | \$211   | \$13    |

## Deadlines

If you are eligible for the GI Bill, you may use your benefits until 10 years after your release from active duty or until December 31, 1989, whichever comes first. (There are some restrictions on those discharged before August 31, 1967). No educational benefits are payable after December 31, 1989, unless the law is changed by Congress.



## Beat The System

by Mary Kay Bolz, Marilyn Baldauf, and Carolyn Wittman

Sgt. Larry Mitchell finished his speech to a warm round of applause. As the graduation speaker of the January-March class, he had just told the audience of the 23-point increase his class had averaged on the GT portion of the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB).

The pride in his voice and the pride on the faces of other class members on graduation day is a significant end result of the ASVAB class — often more significant than the GT score itself. It is the kind of feeling that comes from having set a goal for oneself and having worked hard to achieve it.

Former students like Sgt. Mitchell often spread the word about this fine program, making recruitment an easy job. For the soldier who has been out of school for a number of years, the ASVAB program creates a comfortable but challenging learning atmosphere. Individual and small group instruction in math, reading and vocabulary provide students with the skills necessary to successfully raise their ASVAB scores.

The effectiveness of this program is demonstrated by its results. Since the program's inception eight years ago, over 800 students have completed the course. Of those 800, 95% have returned to their units with substantially increased GT scores. For many, this has been the first step toward promotions, new jobs, eligibility for military schools and reenlistments.

ASVAB classes are offered through the Adult Education Department at the Fort Scott Education Center. Classes are conducted for 10 weeks, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m., Monday through Friday. The next class begins May 22 and ends July 28. For information, call 4419 or 4445.



# Troop Talk

Hey! Hey! Hey! Welcome to the end of another week in sunny San Francisco. Can't believe I've been here eight weeks. Just getting used to this place. Don't panic about the discussion of the closure of the Presidio. It is not going to happen overnight. In fact, it may not happen at all. So just hold on tight, and continue to enjoy yourself.

Well, I did a little research this week and found some interesting things to report to you. Did you know that **Nick Pokrovsky** attained the rarely-seen rank of Corporal? Nice going Nick! It took a lot of hard work to get it. By the way, Nick is with the 402nd MP Co. The company just returned from Camp Roberts. Now, I've never been to Ft. Irwin, but I've heard a lot about it. One thing for sure, if the rumors about snakes and scorpions are true, then I don't ever want to see Ft. Irwin, either. Oh well, anyway, it's great to hear that the 402nd is back.

On to the 504th MP Bn — HHD that is. This guy, **Hector-Luis Reyes**, is a real character. He keeps a picture of a monkey on his desk. Anyway, Reyes celebrated a birthday this past Wednesday. Since we don't put out an issue on Wednesday, I had to wait till today to wish him "Happy Birthday." Hope it was a good one. Some congrats are in order to **George Erickson** and **Otis King** of the 504th. They were promoted to Sp4. Glad that you guys were recognized!

You know, Troop Talk would not be possible without alotta hard work. The input for this column comes from some great people. A big thanks from me goes out to **SSgt. Kelly** of USAG, **SFC Drinnon** of the 163rd MP Co, **Sgt. Tolley** of the 170th MP Co, **Sp4 Reyes** of HHD, 504th MP Bn., **Sgt. Taylor** of D Co. 864th Engrs Bn., **SSgt. DeLos Santos** of the 31st Engrs Det., **SFC Wood** of 16th AG, and who can forget the teeny weeny command of HQ, Sixth Rgn, USACIDC under the command of **Capt. Ackerman**.

Time marches on, and I have to get on the ball. I still have much to do.....so I better close until next week. Looking forward to reporting all the happenings on post. Call me, if you have something hot to report.

In the meantime, you might catch me at a certain beach near Muir Woods this weekend. If not, you might see me sunning in my backyard in Novato. Wherever you go this weekend have a good one and next week will be better for you as a result. Did that make any sense? By the way — a special hello to **Jennifer**. Bye!

By the way, this is a P.S. for you to consider. I don't particularly care for the old stilted format of Troop Talk. I want to continue this way — in this format I mean — if you have any objections let me know. Bye again.

# Cinco de Mayo

The Equal Opportunity Office (EOO) is sponsoring a trip to the Mexican Museum Tuesday, May 2, and Wednesday, May 10, in observance of the Cinco De Mayo holiday.

Interested military, dependent and civilian personnel are invited to come by the EOO, Bldg. T-3, and reserve a seat for this tour. Transportation will be provided. A fee of 50¢ is charged by the Mexican Museum for each person and will be collected when the reservation is made at the EOO. The tour group will stop at a local Mexican cafe and individuals will pay as they go. The bus will return about 2 p.m. Reservation deadlines are April 27 and May 5. For more information call Post Equal Opportunity Office, 561-3701/4602.

**Thursday, May 4, Specialty Night:** Mexican food night at USAG, 504th and 864th dining facilities. Civilian and military personnel may attend as guests of unit assigned members.  
**Friday, May 5, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.,** PSF Recreation Center, Bldg. 135: Free refreshments, and bring a bag lunch. Mr. Javier Ordaz Duran of the Committee Mexicano Civico Patriotico will speak on "The Historical Aspects of Cinco De Mayo". Following Mr. Duran, a Mariachi Band and a Folklorico (traditional folk dance) troupe will perform. Later that evening there will be

a Cinco De Mayo party at the Officer's Club. Dinner will be served between 5:30 and 9:30 p.m. with dancing from 7:30 to 10:30 p.m. This party is open to all members of the Presidio Community; coat and tie required. For reservations and information call ext. 4260 or 4269.  
**Saturday, May 6, 1 to 4 p.m.** Recreation Center, Bldg. 135: A Pinata party for children up to age 12 will be held on the lawn of the Center (inside in case of rain).  
Military, civilian, dependents and guests are invited to participate in these and the Mexican Museum tours.

# Ramblin' Sam



Who do you admire most and why?

Mrs. Sarah Burgett, Food Service Helper, Post Cafeteria — "Lena Horne. She has a nice personality. I like her shows, and the way she carries herself."

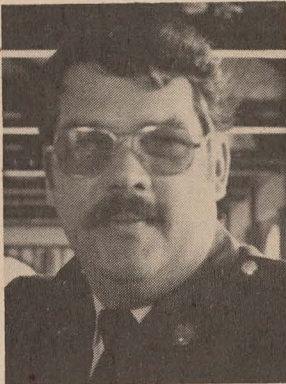
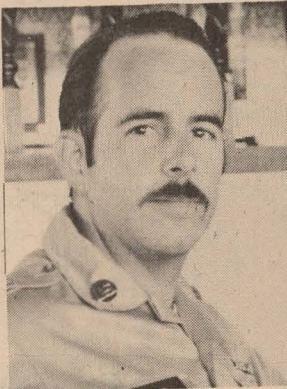


Miss Marva Mitchell, Field Director, Red Cross — "My mother. She is a good mother. She's wise. She's fun loving, and she always has a lot to give."

SSG Gary Morgan, Acting Property Book Officer, DFAE — "My wife. She is the only person around when I really need someone. She has helped me in so many ways in making me what I am today."



Sp5 Craig Reed, Personnel Clerk, COMPACT — "My Dad. He is just a great man. I get along well with him. We relate to each other. He understands the changes I am going through."



Sp4 Lanette Taylor, Personnel Management Specialist, COMPACT — "Whoever was the first woman in the Army. I admire her because it took a lot of courage and patriotism to volunteer for such a way of life. She had to go through much to be accepted by the men in the Army."

SFC John Kailer, Opns NCO, 6th Army Band — "Policemen. They have to put up with a lot from the general public. Having dealt with policemen, I am in awe of their patience. They have the difficult problem of having to develop the courage to deal with the bureaucracy and the common people."



Mrs. Pat Daley, Food Service Helper, Post Cafeteria — "My sister. She never finished high school, and at the age of 35, she went back to school and graduated. Now she is working on a college degree."

Sp5 Charlotte White, Nuclear Medicine Technician, LAMC — "Jesus Christ. If it weren't for him, I'd be dead or damned to Hell. He has made life beautiful."



# SNAFU

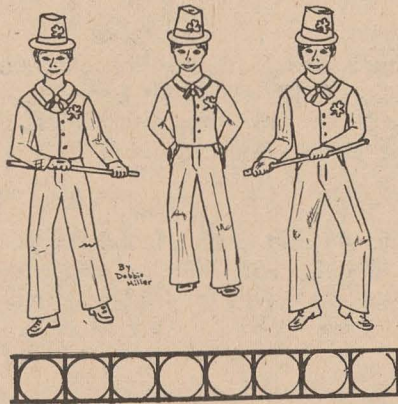
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| AEANSU |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| LEPNES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| YNARCO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| MUGAT  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

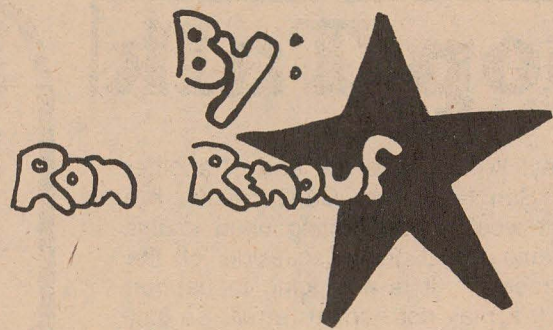
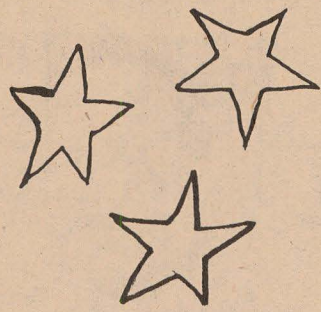
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What the group dressed up like for St. Patrick's Day.

Answers to last week's: AUTHOR, EDICT, TROLL, SACHET, SAILOR  
ANSWER: SLIDE RULE





# Strikers Take Top Honors

After being rained out the previous week, the Presidio Strikers took the field last Saturday to shutout the Olympia Soccer Team of San Francisco and capture the 1978 San Francisco Flame League Soccer Championship in a 3-0 victory.

The first half of the match turned into a fine defensive battle and at the break, neither team had been able to score.

Six minutes into the second half, **Greg Keller** slammed in the first goal for the Strikers to give them a one - zip lead. From that point on it was all Strikers.

**Michael Stojic** hammered in another goal a few minutes later from 20 yards out and late in the match, Keller came back to score the Strikers' third goal of the afternoon.

The Strikers' Championship victory featured fine team work by "**Big John**" **Hagemeister**, **Dan Griffin**, **Tim Sexton** and **John MacFarland**, while **Randy Kim**, **Tim Cason** and **Andy Leon** provided excellent defensive work.

The Strikers ended their season with an 11 - 3 record.



"Where did that ball go now?" is what a member of the Olympians seems to be saying as Rocky Wicks (white trunks) descends on him. Wicks' Presidio Strikers won 3-0. (photo by Nick Rorick)

## Ring Action Tonight

**Wayne Emard** will lead a team of seven fighters into the ring tonight at Treasure Island for the Army-Navy Invitational Boxing Tournament slated to start at 8 p.m.

Boxing for the Army on the Emard-coached team will be **Dean Kemp** and **Tom Africa** from HHD, 504th MP Battalion in the 147 and 142 weight classes; **Perry Norfleet** from the 170th MP Company in the 147 division; **Darrel Uing** from Garrison in the 175 division; **Clif Troutman** assigned to the 16th AG Detachment (Postal), the team's heavyweight; and **Reginald Burford** and **Richard Segelstrom** from the 402d MP Company in the 135 and 142 weight divisions.

Tonight's ring action marks the first boxing program to get off the floor at the Presidio in recent years.

Coach Emard along with Norfleet represented the Presidio recently in the FORSCOM Tourney at Fort Riley.

# 6th Army Does It Again

The defending Post Volleyball Champion, Sixth Army, repeated again in 1978 by defeating Oakland Army Base for the title by the scores of 15-7, 15-2, 13-15 and 15-8.

OAB eliminated LAIR #1 Wednesday evening by the scores of 15-12, 10-15 and 15-1, to reach the finals and square off against Sixth Army.

Gerald Evans and Steve Holden led the way with their consistent spiking from the sets of Clarence Nakatsukasa, Lambert Nahula and Kenneth Date. The power spiking of Ray Ames brought OAB their only win in the best of five series.

Sixth Army will be without the services of Gerald Evans next season. He will retire before another volleyball season rolls around. Not only has this UCLA graduate coached and played successfully

in the intramural program, but he has also given of his time and skills to coach and play on the Post level teams throughout his tour here at the Presidio.

| TEAM STANDINGS   | WON | LOST |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 74  | 18   |
| SFFO CID         | 71  | 25   |
| 93rd MI Bn       | 67½ | 67½  |
| USAG #2          | 57  | 39   |
| LAMC #2          | 49½ | 46½  |
| LAIR #2          | 47  | 49   |
| SIGSEC           | 35½ | 60½  |
| 87th Ord.        | 35  | 57   |
| 504th MP Bn      | 29  | 67   |
| 16th AG (Postal) | 25½ | 70½  |

# Post Softball Kick-off

The Post Softball season gets under way next Monday night with a total of twelve games being played weekly.

This year's lineup in the Presidio League will card USAG, LAMC #1, 864th Engr Bn, 402d MP Co., LAMC #2, US Attorney's, DENTAC, LAIR #1, 666th Radar Squadron and 170th MP Co. teams.

Teams in the Fort Scott League this year will be USACC, WRRC, 93d MI Bn., LAIR #1, HHD, 504th MP Bn., ARR #IX, USPHS, 16th AG Det (Postal) and the FBI.

Games throughout the schedule will be played at both Fort Scott fields, each Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evening beginning at 5:30 and 6:45 p.m. The regular season play will consist of a double round robin with a double elimination tournament slated for the end of the season between the top three finishers in each of the two leagues for the post championship.

## NEXT WEEK'S SCHEDULE

- Monday**  
Field #1:  
DENTAC vs 170th MP Co  
LAIR #1 vs USAG

Field #2:  
US Attorneys vs 864th Engr  
666th Radar Sqd vs LAMC #2

**Wednesday**  
Field #1:  
16th AG Det (Postal) vs USACC  
USPHS vs WRRC

Field #2:  
HHD 504th MP Bn vs LAIR #2  
ARR IX vs 93d MI Bn

**Thursday**  
Field #1:  
LAMC #1 vs 402d MP Co  
DENTAC vs 666th Radar Sqd

Field #2:  
LAIR #1 vs LAMC #2  
US Attorneys vs USAG

## Marathon Run

Treasure Island — Are you a dedicated jogger or distance runner? Want to compete against some top flight competition in a very scenic setting? Then start preparing now to enter the Second Annual Fleet Admiral Nimitz Mini-Marathon race on Treasure Island, May 27th.

While the runners are viewing the scenery from the middle of San Francisco Bay, they will cover the 6.2 mile (10 kilometers) course laid out on Treasure Island and the sloping hills of Yerba Buena Island.

The Marathon was begun in 1976, with the backing of Mrs. Nimitz, who donated the trophies. Originally, it was restricted to the midshipmen of the Navy ROTC at the University of California, Berkeley, until it was open to the public in 1977.

Anyone over 12 years old is eligible to participate in this race. The divisions are 12-17 years; 18-29 years; 30-39 years; 40 and over; and women's open. Trophies will be awarded to the winners of each division and the first 200 to finish will receive a Nimitz Mini-Marathon T-shirt.

Entry blanks may be picked up at Post Gyms 1 and 2 and Ft. Scott Gym, and should be mailed to D.R. Shepherd, 25 Callaghan Hall, University of California, Berkeley, CA, 94702, with a \$1.00 entry fee.



## Alexander, Brown:

# ....Soldiers are the best

In a strongly-worded response to a television documentary aired recently, Army Secretary Clifford Alexander has labeled as "patent nonsense" the idea that American soldiers are "losers."

That idea had been expressed in an ABC-TV news show, "The American Army: A shocking state of readiness."

Alexander said it was high time to challenge "those who would pander public emotions at the expense of young Americans in uniform."

The Army Secretary pointed to some statistical indicators of the morale and quality of today's soldiers. He said the absence without leave (AWOL) rate has been halved since 1972, and the desertion rate has dropped from 33 per thousand soldiers in 1974 to 11 per thousand today.

Traditionally, AWOL and desertion rates have been considered critical indicators of soldier morale and quality.

Alexander said the television show left viewers with the implication that "hundreds of thousands of people in uniform aren't worth a damn."

"I know better," the Army leader said.

Secretary of Defense Harold Brown endorsed Alexander's comments in a separate statement,



saying that American soldiers are "the best in the world ... and are getting better."

Brown said the soldiers need and deserve the support of the American people.

"I am proud of them. The word by which I describe them is winners," the defense secretary added.

"I completely endorse Secretary of the Army Clifford Alexander's comments on yesterday evening's ABC broadcast. In the past year I have visited our soldiers in the United States, in Europe, and in the Far East.

"They are professionals, they are motivated, they are the best in the world."

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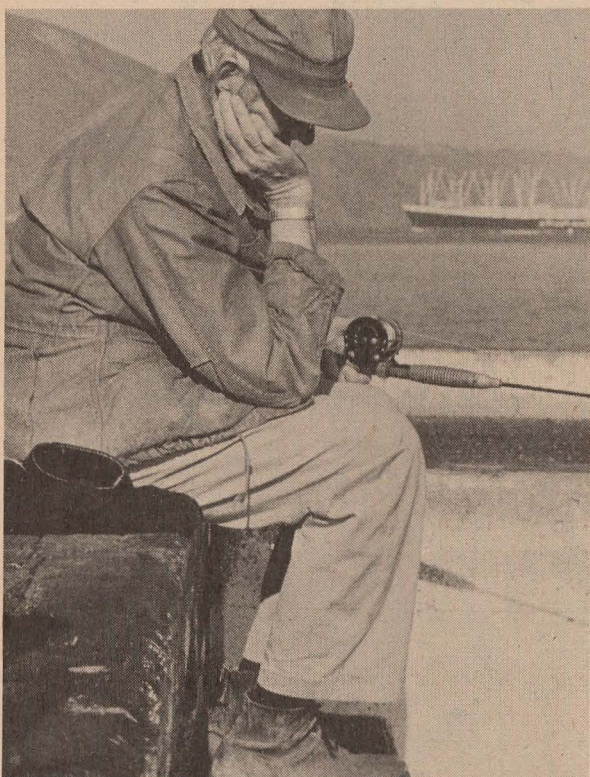
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## What happens to them when you die?

by Janet Hake

The time has finally come. You've served at least 20 years in the Army and you're ready to retire. It's reassuring to know you'll be getting a decent retired paycheck every month for the rest of your life. Starting a new career will be that much easier.



**Everything looks great right now. But what if you're killed in an automobile accident? Can your family survive without you? Could they get along without your income — or your retired pay?**

You can guarantee them some money to live on if you're enrolled in the Survivor Benefit Plan (SBP). Based on your retired pay, the plan guarantees a monthly income for your family after you're gone. Here are some frequently asked questions about SBP...and the answers.

### How do I participate?

Once you've served 20 years on active duty in the military, you're automatically a member of SBP. However, you won't be charged until the time you receive your first retired paycheck.

If you don't want to participate in SBP, you must submit a written request to your commander at least 30 days before retirement. Your spouse will be notified of your decision not to participate or to participate for less than the maximum.

**I may change my mind. Can I enroll in SBP later?**

Not if you're married at the time you retire.

### How much will it cost me?

For full participation, the deduction is 2½ percent of the first \$300 and 10 percent of the remainder. Here's an example. Suppose your monthly retired pay is \$800.

\$800  
-300 x 2½% = \$ 7.50  
500 x 10% = +50.00  
\$57.50 (monthly deduction  
from retired pay)

### How much will the benefits to my spouse be?

Your spouse's benefit, should you die, can be as much as 55 percent of what your retired pay would be. Example:

\$800 x 55% = \$440 (benefit payment)  
If you choose, you can pay a smaller amount and receive correspondingly less benefits.

### What about Social Security and Veteran's benefits? Won't they pay?

Sometimes. Your family is eligible for Social Security payments if any of your single children at home are under age 18, or 22, if any are in school. Benefits to a widow/er alone don't begin until age 62. So between the time your last child reaches 18 and your spouse's 62d birthday, no Social Security payments will be coming in to your spouse. And unless your death is service-connected, your family will not be eligible for VA death benefits after your retirement.

**My retired pay is \$1,000 a month. That means my spouse's benefit would be \$550. What's inflation going to do to that 10 years from now?**

Remember, your retired pay automatically increases each March and September to keep up with the cost of living. So does the benefit your dependents are entitled to. Suppose your retired pay is \$1,000. If the average increase is 5 percent compounded semiannually (2.5 percent in March

and September) for the next 10 years, by then your pay would be \$1,638. Your spouse's benefit, in case of your death, would be 55 percent of \$1,638, or about \$901. The point is, the benefit would have at least the same buying power it has today and probably more.

### Wouldn't an insurance plan be just as good?

You would have a hard time paying the premiums of an insurance policy that pays as well as SBP. Imagine that your retired pay is \$800 a month at the time of your death and that your spouse outlives you by 20 years. If you have chosen a benefit of 55 percent of the full amount, or \$440, over 20 years your spouse would get \$105,600.

(\$440 x 12 months in a year x 20 years = \$105,600)

That total doesn't include cost-of-living increases — something you don't get from an insurance policy. Five percent annual increases compounded semiannually over 20 years would increase the total to \$177,943. Can you afford an insurance policy that pays off like that?



SBP can protect a widow or widower from unnecessary hardship caused by a spouse's death. It can insure a steady income to survivors at a time when they need it the most. The cost for the protection is small compared to the benefits received.

You can find out more about SBP from your personnel officer, a financial adviser or by going to the source: Army Regulation 608-9.

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# Troop Talk

Hi again. Another week gone by. Another day, another dollar. Or several dollars ... One who is getting several dollars more is **Rebecca Hall**, the Editor of the Star Presidian, who received a well deserved promotion to Sp5 this week. Congrats! **Debbie Miller**, of the Community Relations Division of PAO, was promoted to Sp4 this week. **Debbie** works hard on art work for the paper, too. Really glad for you, **Debbie**. Speaking of art work, **Rickey Poppelwell**, a high school dependent, contributes regularly to our paper. **Rickey's** artwork is strictly voluntary. We really appreciate you, Rick. Thanks a lot.

Here are some words of wisdom from Whistling Buoy, a Coast Guard paper: "If you find mistakes in this publication, please consider that they are there for a purpose. We publish something for everyone, and some people are always looking for mistakes!"

You know, I meet a lot of people while gathering the news for Troop Talk, and while ramblin' for Ramblin' Sam. Now, I think a word for you to consider this week is consideration. Why? Well, a gal over on Portola St. mentioned that people just don't care about the appearance of the Presidio. Here we are on the best looking land in San Francisco, and some of us seem to be letting it go to pot. Look around your property, on the trails and roads, and at a few other spots that are littered. Would it hurt to clean up? Another person over at the Post Cafeteria mentioned that some people pick up dirty trays off the tables and put them on clean tables so that they can get a table near the window. Considerate? Think about it.

A woman over at LAIR complained about the high cost of car repair in the area. She also gave a helpful hint for my file. When you turn in a car for repair, why not ask the mechanic for the old part, she suggested. This way you insure that the work was done. Also, she commented, you could discreetly mark the part to be replaced. Then you can check and see if the part actually was replaced.

By the way, I have been getting some nice phone calls from people concerning the newspaper. Thanks for your encouragement. A special thank you to **Jan** who sent me a real nice letter welcoming me to the Presidio.

Someone mentioned to me that D Co., 864th Engineers has come up with a way to combat latrine graffiti. Their solution is to put up paper on the stall wall for writing purposes. When the paper is full of words of wit, they simply tear down the old graffiti and put up new paper! Now that's what I call a good idea. Saves the appearance of the walls, and saves work for barracks members who would have to repaint the place.

Now for some real Troop Talk — **Lt. Wayne Emard** of the 163rd MP Co. is away for school. He is attending the Supply Management course. Also at school is **Sp4 German Legaspi**, attending the Small Arms Repair Course at Ft. Lewis. We're sure you'll be successful, and the company is anxious for your return.

HHD, 504th MP Bn reports four losses from the command. **Sgt. Gary Marino** is off to Japan. **Sgt. Richard Allen** is leaving for Korea. **PFC Stephen Hooper** is off to Germany and **SFC Frederick Moeller** is retiring. Good luck to all of you! You will be missed. A get well greeting to **SFC Daniel McGinley**, who is in the hospital. Congratulations are in order for **Frederick Reed**, who just became an Acting Jack.

**Sp5 Ralph Bada** just arrived at the 16th AG Postal from Worms, Germany. Your first sergeant says he's really glad to have you aboard.

**SFC Domingo Monterro**, of D Co., 864th Engineers has decided to hang up his boots and retire. You put in some hard years, Domingo. Sorry to see you go - stop by and see us when you get a chance.

**Lt. Ruth Steimer**, who works for the Directorate of Plans, Training, and Security at Post Headquarters, is now a first lieutenant after being promoted Tuesday. Two and a half more years to captain, right?

Incidentally, HQ Sixth Rgn. USACIDC is not such a "teeny weeny" command, as was reported here last week, after all — it's ACC-CIDC Element (which is attached to HQ Sixth Region) that is small, only two people, under **Capt. Jim Ackerman**.

By the way, USACIDC stands for United States Army Criminal Investigation Command, and ACC-CIDC is Army Communications Command-

## Ramblin' Sam



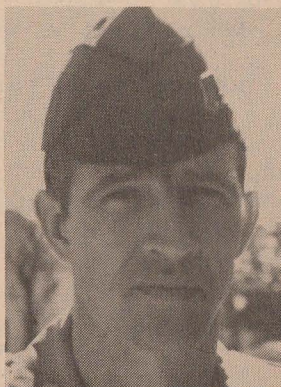
**A recent TV documentary (see page 1) implied that American soldiers are losers. What do you think of the quality of soldiers in the Army?**

**Mrs. Carol Haney, Personnel Clerk, CPO** — "I think the quality is good." The opportunity for advancement and education is much greater in the Army now. I think this has drawn better soldiers into the Army, and certainly these soldiers would not have come in years ago. So naturally, now that they do, the quality of the soldier is better."



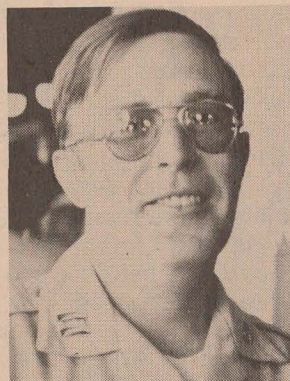
**Sp4 Kevin Pratten, 402nd MP Co.** — "The quality is low because they don't care. I don't think the soldier knows what he is getting into when he raises his hand. A soldier usually finds that he has made a mistake and that the Army is really not what he wants. This makes morale and quality low in the Army."

**SFC Curtis Bentley, OPNS NCO, PMO** — "The quality is great. I feel that soldiers are receiving some of the best training in history. The downfall of soldiers in today's Army comes not from the training, but from the leadership."



**LTC Robert Dean, 6th Army Opns Div, PMO** — "My experience has been with qualified and highly motivated people in the military. Continuing education keeps the average soldier on the ball. There are some soldiers who are not interested in the service, but they usually get out. The good soldier stays on and keeps up the high quality of the Army."

**Capt. Bob Root, Chief, COMPACT** — "The quality has dropped an awful lot and is not what it used to be in the Draft Era. During the Draft Era, you had college grads who were forced into the Army. Thus, we had an older and more mature Army. Today we have the product of a poor high school system nationwide. Those who come in today come in for personal gain only."



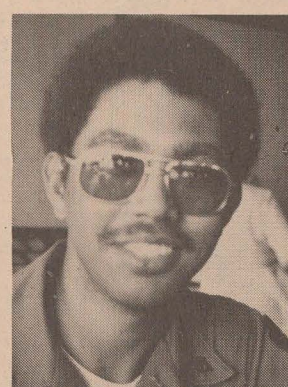
**SFC Rodney Kalua, Admin NCO, Comptroller, LAMC** — "In comparison to years ago, we have some good soldiers. It's unfortunate that we have some bad ones, but overall I feel that today's soldier knows where he's going and what he wants, because he is better educated. Their open minds will make them better leaders in the future."



**Mrs. Frances Haluska, Military Personnel Clerk, COMPACT** — "I think the Army has a fine bunch of men and women. I deal with all ranks in the military on a day to day basis. I find the military courteous and willing to obey regulations. I think the Army is no worse off than it was ten years ago."



**Sp4 Robert Bennett, 402nd MP Co.** — "The quality is not as high as it used to be. The quality of the NCOs has gone downhill. Most leaders in the military seem concerned with themselves, rather than the individual."



Criminal Investigation Command... whew! Anyway, HQ Sixth Region, USACIDC is getting a new adjutant, **Capt. Karen Kenyon, AG**, who comes to them from Ft. Huachuca.

Well, time to close. Still waiting to hear from you. In the meantime, take care. A special hello to **SSgt. Dan Henrich** of the USF ROTC detachment. Hope you're over your fall pretty soon. Your wife Mary says you are missed at home. So get well soon.

Bye all!

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## ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q. I have been inquiring as to why we have to have a trash dumpster located directly across from our quarters. I would like to know if there is anything at all possible that can be done to have it moved where nobody would have to look at it and where small children could not climb into it to play.**

**Mrs. Bergfelder**

**A. The trash dumpster you complained about has been removed. It will be replaced by a smaller, five cubic-yard debris box which is not a hazard to children.**



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## Boating season safety

Handling a boat, like driving a car or flying a plane, is a skill acquired by study and practice.

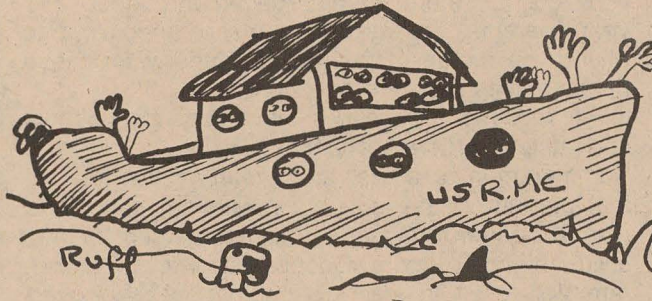
Basic boat handling skills require, as a first step, a knowledge of how and why boats behave as they do. This can be gained by trial and error — but errors on the water can be dangerous.

One of the grave mistakes made by novice boaters is overloading. In smaller outboard boats, the owner should examine the capacity plate affixed to the stern. This plate specifies the number of passengers or weight the boat is built to accommodate. Exceeding the stated capacity will affect the performance and invite danger. It is also very important to properly load the boat so that the weight is evenly distributed from bow to stern and from side to side.

Over-powering a boat is just as dangerous as overloading. A plate on the boat's transom indicates maximum outboard horsepower intended for a particular craft. Good judgment, caution, traffic flow, and surface conditions are instrumental in determining safe speed.

Once the boat is properly loaded and safety-checked, the boating novice must consider two boat handling essentials — docking and anchoring.

For the newcomer, docking a boat can be a frustrating, embarrassing experience. The best advice is to approach docking with caution, slowness



and patience. Experience will help the boater deal with such docking factors as other boats, wind, seas, and current. By taking your time, docking can be as simple as leaving the dock.

Anchoring is a skill every boater must acquire. A couple of basic rules go hand in hand with anchoring. Always point the bow of the boat into the wind or current when preparing the anchor. Reduce speed, then put the engine in reverse as the mate lowers (never throws) the anchor.

Sea conditions determine how much line, or scope, is let out — but generally it is a ratio of seven to one, that is, scope equal to seven times the depth of the water. This is usually sufficient for most weather and anchoring conditions.

There are a host of subjects related to boat handling and the best way to improve boating skills is to attend a US Coast Guard Auxiliary Course in safe boating.

If you plan to participate in any boating activities this summer, take a few minutes to review these safety precautions —

- Be sure you and your passengers know how to handle the craft.
- Know how to swim and how to rescue a person by throwing him a rope, stick, oar, life jacket, tire — anything that will float.
- Know how your boat will react in various kinds of water.
- Check the weather forecast and observe storm warnings. If caught in a heavy wind, head into it.
- Respect the center of gravity of a small boat and don't move around a lot.
- In case of trouble, stay calm and use common sense. A capsized boat will float.
- Use a life jacket if you can't swim. Coast Guard regulations require that a personal flotation device (life preserver) be aboard for each passenger.
- Know the passenger limit of your boat and stick to it.

### Soccer action

The Presidio Cosmos recently ended their initial soccer season with a fine defensive battle as they fought the San Francisco Viking Rangers to a 1-1 tie. The deadlock followed two previous losses to the same team.

The Cosmos, participating in the 8-9 year-old group, wrapped up the season with a record of 6-4-3.

Making up the team were **Michael Blumhardt, Bobby Griffin, Dan Nakasoto, Scott Szurek, Rattrick Craven, Scott Kim, Damon Rich, Adrian Urquidez, Jay Curran, Ray Lomeli, J.R. Rinaldi, Robert Williams, Ron Damian, Keith Morgan, Tony Ross and Ivan Yelton.**

The Cosmos were coached by **Ken Damian, Blas Urquidez and Rolla Rich.**

### May tournaments

A pair of tournaments are on tap for May according to the post sports office.

Leading off will be the Post Squash Tournament, expected to open May 23. This will be a singles tournament with play to be determined by the number of entries. Current U.S. Squash-Racquet Association rules, as modified for intramural competition by the Presidio Sports Branch, will govern play.

An instruction sheet will be available and should be picked up at the Post Gym prior to the first match of the tourney.

Units desiring to enter individuals are requested to complete an entry form indicating name, rank, and duty phone of competitors. Entries must be filed with the sports office by May 15.

May 25 will see the opening of the Post Handball Tournament. Current U.S. Handball rules, as modified for intramural competition, will govern play.

This will be a singles tournament. Play will be a single round robin, in two divisions, with a double elimination play-off between the top two of each division for the Post Championship. A doubles tournament will be conducted following the singles tournament if four or more teams enter.

Entries for the Handball Tourney must be submitted to the sports branch by May 15, and instruction sheets picked up at the sports office before matches begin.

### Bowling tourney

A number of Presidio Bowlers got plenty of wood in the FORSCOM Bowling Tournament being held at Fort Hood, TX.

In the Women's Singles division, **Tanya Nolen** finished in 11th place with a total pinfall of 963.

Men's Doubles competition gave a second place finish to **Ron Early and Roger Goodman** with a 2284.

**Roger Goodman** took an eighth place in the All-Events competition, a second in High Series and the High Game of the Tourney with a 267.

In the team competition, the women finished in last place in an eleven team field while the men fared slightly better with an eighth place finish in a twelve team lineup.

Following the Tournament at Fort Hood, it was announced that **Roger Goodman** has been selected for the 1978 All-Army Bowling Trials to be conducted at Fort Ord starting next Wednesday in preparation for the Inter-Service Championship Tournament to be conducted May 22-26 at Camp Pendleton, CA.

### Fun run race

All distance runners are invited to participate in the next Fun Run Race to be held May 17.

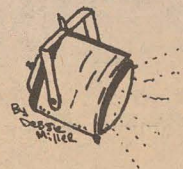
The course will cover three miles over rolling terrain and will start and finish at the Main Post Gym.

Signups for the race will be at 11:30 a.m. on race day.

### Fresh fish

If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Contra Costa County — San Pablo Reservoir
- Lake County — Pillsbury Reservoir, Upper Blue Lake
- Marin County — Stafford Lake, Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir
- Mendocino County — Cleone Lake, East Branch Russian River
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced
- San Luis Obispo County — Lopez Reservoir, Atascadero Lake, Laguna Lake
- Santa Clara County — Lexington Reservoir, Stevens Creek Reservoir
- Santa Cruz County — Loch Lomond Reservoir



## Spotlight



**Master Sergeant Paul Manuel, Jr.**, Chief Enlisted Advisor, Readiness Group, Fort Lewis, WA, has been named Soldier of the Year for U.S. Army Readiness Region IX, headquartered at the Presidio of San Francisco.

In addition to assignments in the Continental United States, MSgt. Manuel has served tours in Germany, Korea, and Vietnam. He is a graduate of the 4th Armored Division NCO Academy and the U.S. Army Drill Sergeant School and has been selected to attend the U.S. Army Sergeants Major Academy at Fort Bliss, Texas, in February 1979.

His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal with 2d Award, the Army Commendation Medal, the Combat Infantryman's Badge, the Drill Sergeant's Badge, the Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Bronze Star and the Vietnam Honor Medal Second Class.

MSgt. Manuel will compete for the Sixth U.S. Army Soldier of the Year in June 1978.



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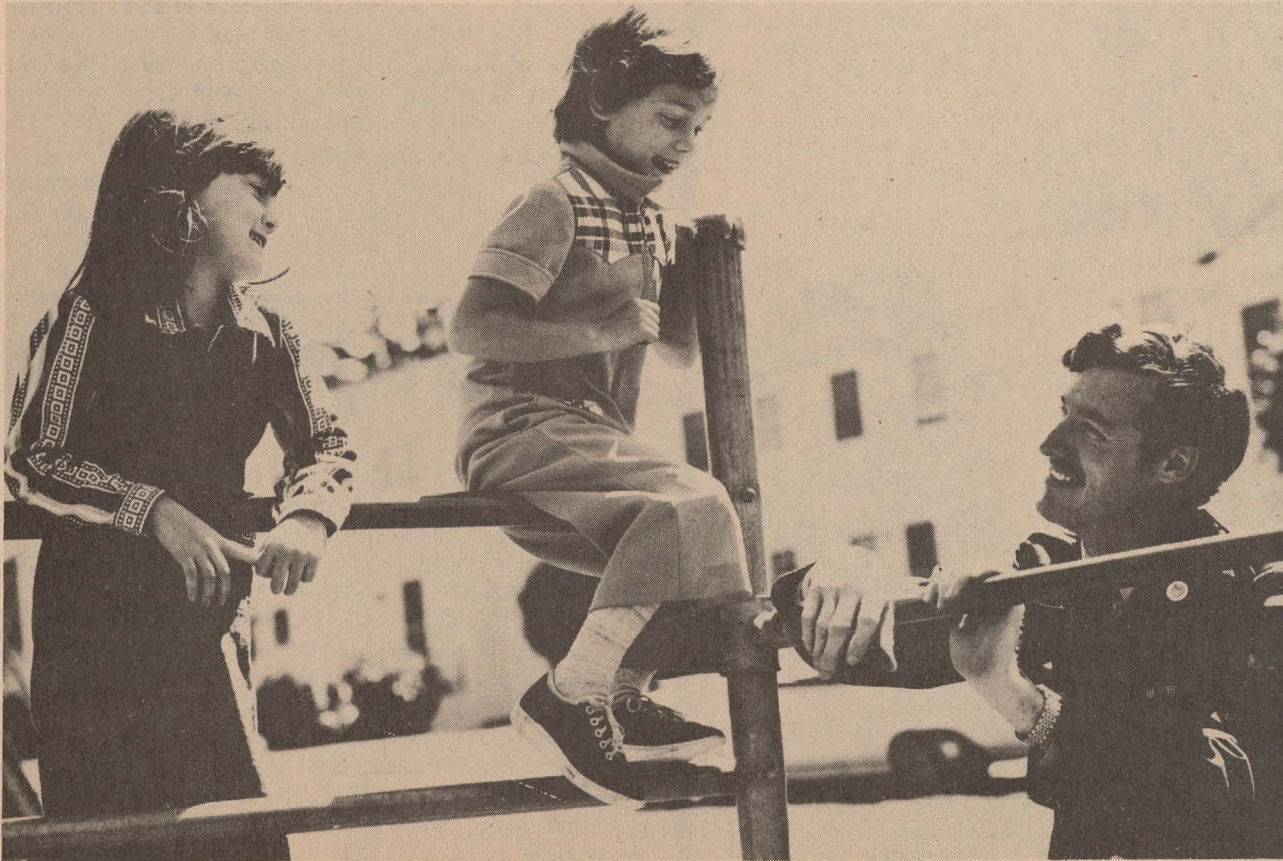
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## Single Parents:

# Where's the Playground, Daddy?



photos by William Malkiel

"I like my Daddy. He's very nice. I help him with the house and he plays with me," says seven year old Carrie (far left), while five year old Missy looks on.

by Ted Elisee

Heartbreak and loneliness, especially in the military, can be the call sign for the products of a broken home.

However, this is not always the case. Many military members have been able to cope with the single parents role and are tackling the split home problem in the best way they know how.

Recently, DA announced that beginning May 1 all first term soldiers, whether officer or enlisted, who are single parents and have children who are minors, would receive a mandatory counseling session. DA officials say the counseling is necessary to insure that the soldier fully understands the potential problems that could occur as a result of duty conflicts and family needs. Specific items include: CQ, field duty, TDY, alerts, deployment, overseas assignments, non-command sponsored tours, dependent medical care, and family needs during duty hours. Also to be included is concurrent travel.

Sp4 Bruce Nelson, of the Post Chaplains Office, is in the sole parent of two children category. Bruce is divorced from his wife. According to Bruce, problems did occur for his family as a result of his divorce. Said Bruce, "I find it difficult to ask someone to care for my children at a moment's notice. For example, I have wonderful neighbors who will care for my children after school, but if I have to run to the store for fifteen minutes, then I have trouble."

Bruce also commented, "My social life has definitely changed. My children do not interfere with my social life, but women have had to accept the children as a package deal with me. Fortunately, most women have done just that. They have been really great."

The change, by the absence of a mother or father in the home environment, is something a child and a parent must learn to cope with. Both of Bruce's children said they like being with their father. In fact, one child said, "I like my Daddy. He's very nice. I help him with the house and he plays with me."

SSG William Broshear of MISO is a single parent also. Bill claims that he has had little problem handling his home situation. He said, "My child, although six years old, is very mature. She has adjusted to my separation well."

When asked whether he would encourage single parents to remain on active duty, Broshear said, "It is entirely up to the individual to determine whether he or she can handle his finances, his job, and special duty requirements, as well. If the person can do this, then

he should stay in the military. I think it would be very difficult for the younger enlisted person to handle the situation financially."

One of the more serious problems facing the military member is the reality that he or she may be required to serve an unaccompanied tour. For Specialist Nelson, at the present time, this requirement would be difficult. Says Bruce, "I'm just getting my girls used to the situation. An unaccompanied tour could change everything for them again. Although I wouldn't care for this to happen to them, right now, I think I could work it out."

Bruce added, "I am having a problem with re-enlistment now. I asked to extend in the Army for a year to work my problems out. After this time, I could consider re-enlisting for a longer term. Unfortunately, I have been told that, like everyone else, I cannot extend for personal reasons. Instead, I must re-enlist for three years. Somehow, I hope to work this out."

In fact, in today's Army, regulations do not restrict re-enlistment of a sole parent, but they do state that a soldier may be separated or denied re-enlistment due to an inability to perform his job.

SSG Broshear feels an accompanied tour is no problem. He indicated his child would not mind staying with her grandmother. He also said, "We have a family that we are very close with. They have offered to care for my little girl if the need comes about."

The problems of a single parent are unique. They must be reckoned with and handled well, says DA.

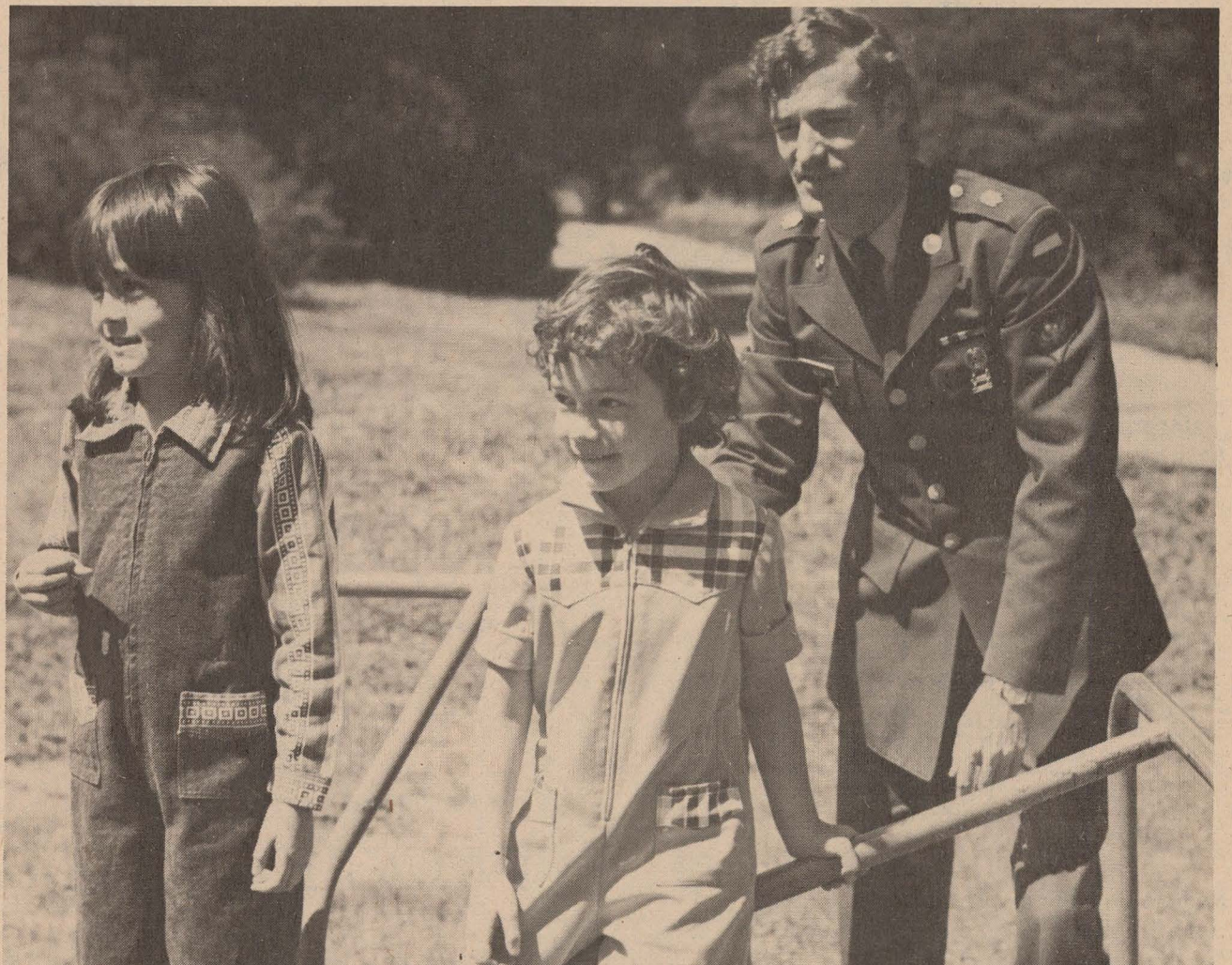
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The counseling program established by DA is one that is designed to alleviate potential problems for the single soldier.

Perhaps this program is the Army's way of preventing heartbreak.



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Ramblin' Sam



If you were a mother, what would you want for Mother's Day?

Mrs. Ellie Hoffman, Secretary, USACC — "My children are away. One is in Indiana, and the other is in Washington. Having my children with me on Mother's Day would be the best possible gift."



Lt. Candi Christ, Protocol Officer, Sixth Army — "A thank you from my children in whatever way they thought was important, whether it be a card, a kiss or a phone call. Being a mother can be a thankless job."

Sp5 Sandy Peterson, Legal Clerk, SJAG — "I would like a Microwave Oven, because I work full time and I forget to take things out for dinner."



Lt. Janie Perrault, Records Management Officer, HQ DCSPA — "I would love my fiancé to come home from England, but if I were a mother I would like a dozen roses. I like old fashioned family traditions, and the roses would let me know that all the kids have remembered me."



Sp5 Nancy Lundin, Admin Specialist, SGS — "I would want my children to be healthy and to have developed into individuals with no problems in life for me or for them."

Sp6 Mickey Moore, Legal Clerk, SJAG — "I am a mother and I would really appreciate a special gift from my son. What I would like is a picture he drew. He's only three and that would touch my heart."



Mrs. Gorgine Tuttle, wife of Sgt. James Tuttle, D Co. 864th Engrs — "I am a new mother. This is my first Mother's Day. I'm usually thinking of giving something instead of receiving. I would like flowers and to be with my family."

Mrs. Mabel Hilton, Voucher Examiner, Finance and Accounting — "To have good health for my children. This gift would be enough for me."



ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. There seems to be a problem with the debris surrounding the large eucalyptus trees on the Main Parade Ground. There are eucalyptus nuts and small branches on the ground that could result in someone twisting an ankle, since a lot of foot traffic utilizes this area. Since this area has not been cleaned in months, the Post Engineer mechanical sweeper could very easily clean this area early in the morning and possibly save the government unnecessary paperwork involving an injury, plus erase an eyesore.

A. The Facilities Engineers recognize this problem. The mechanical sweepers are presently not in service because of maintenance problems. Other efforts are being made to clean this area and this should be completed the first week in May.

Sidney J. Domingue  
Civilian, ODCST, 6th Army  
LTC John G. Bechtold  
Facilities Engineers

Troop Talk

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk. Hope this finds you well and enjoying the good weather we've been having in the area. Hey, you Raphael Village residents! Did you notice that the housing area is being primed for painting? Glad we're having the neighborhood improved. It's taken a long time; but finally the place is looking up. Let's make it a special effort to keep the residential area looking its best.

The word for the week is prevention. The weather is getting warm and I've noticed people heading for the beaches and the pool. Keep an eye on your children and on yourselves so that we can prevent swimming accidents.

On to the meat of the column - Troop Talk. Sp5 Ruby Johnson was welcomed by the 16th AG Postal Co. this week. Ruby will work as an Admin Specialist.

Information from my home port, USAG, indicates that Gilbert Gustafson was promoted to SSG, and Raymond Herrera was promoted to Sp4. In the field of sports, the slow pitch softball team, captained by MSG Ronald Johnson, overcame the 864th Engrs by a score of 15-7. Say Hey!

The 163rd MP Co. reports the annual range qualification for 45s is on tap. Also, much deserved AR-COMS were awarded to SSG Thomas Brunswick, and SGT William Smith. Nice going fellas.

The 170th MP Co. was anxious to report that the Co. passed their IG with flying colors, in fact, with honors. A hearty welcome was put out to some new arrivals. They are: PFC Michael Wilinsky, Pvt. Bonnie Olin, SFC Emanuel Weiters, PFC Donald Terry, and Pvt. James Heath.

From the desk of HHD, 504th MP Bn. — The group is off to Camp Parks to assist the 170th MP Co. in escape and evasion tactics. Hope to have more to report to you on this operation next week. Sp4 Adolpho Reyes is ETsing to his home in San Raphael! Good luck. A new arrival to the command is Sgt. Michael Quinones from Panama. Welcome!

Some personnel are off on a Pre-IG visit to Ft. Riley, Ft. Leavenworth, Ft. Bliss, and White Sands. They are LTC A.J. Shapton, Capt. Jim Ackerman, SFC Joe Burns, MSG Jack Teal, Special Agent Mishimura, and Mr. S.J. Oberpillar of HQs Sixth Region, USACIDC. Hurry back!!

Some words of wisdom to reflect on — Remember, if you don't do anything, then you won't do anything wrong.  
Good talking to you. Bye.

SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| PROTHY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CRENEO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| DUNTIC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SLAIA  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| RAMLON |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



The kind of part night-owls might enjoy.



Answers to last week's: TWELVE, CRADLE, RADIUS, EARTH, PREFER  
ANSWER: "FARE" WEATHER DAY

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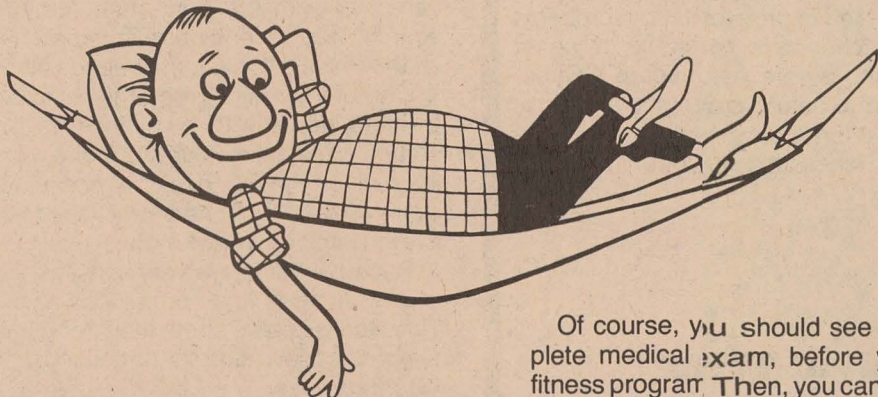
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## Perk Up . . . Step Out

It's only 4:00 p.m. but you're so tired it might as well be midnight. And you can't understand it because you get plenty of sleep and eat well, too.



Chronic tiredness ranks today as one of the most frequently voiced of all complaints. Although chronic tiredness can stem from illness, for many people it's the result of gradual deterioration of the body due to a lack of vigorous physical activity.

Just 100 extra calories a day can make you gain 10 pounds in one year — but these extra calories could be burned up by a 15 - 20 minute daily walk. And,

according to studies by the Harvard School of Public Health, just one-half hour of proper exercise can help you lose or keep off as much as 26 pounds a year.

Of course, you should see a physician for a complete medical exam, before you start any physical fitness program. Then, you can begin with confidence.

You should start your exercise program slowly. And, before long, you'll see and feel the results.

Although there will be no dramatic changes overnight, gradually you'll begin to notice that you have more energy for your daily activities, and you'll have a new zest for recreation in the evening. And quite likely, you will be sleeping more soundly than you've slept for years.

### FORSCOM Tennis Tourney

The Veterans Division has shown a number of strong players. John Meese and Jack Osteen, both of Sixth Army, are playing each other in a semi-finals match in the winner's bracket. An outside contender is Boris Stojic.

The Ladies Division has seen the following people make it to the winners quarter-finals; Gloria Ramos, LAIR, Joyce Shank, LAMC, Sue Goulding, LAMC, and Sandy Efseaff, LAMC.

Top placers in all divisions, except Novice, are eligible to play in the FORSCOM Tennis Tournament at the Presidio June 19 - 23, 1978.

### Bowling Standings

| Ft. Scott League | Won | Lost |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 83  | 21   |
| SFFO CID         | 76  | 28   |
| 93d MI Bn        | 73½ | 30½  |
| USAG #2          | 61  | 43   |
| LAMC #2          | 55½ | 48½  |
| LAIR #2          | 51  | 53   |
| 87th Ord         | 40  | 64   |
| SIGSEC           | 37½ | 66½  |
| 504th MP Bn      | 29  | 75   |
| 16th BPO         | 28½ | 75½  |

| Presidio League | Won | Lost |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| USACC           | 78½ | 25½  |
| Reg. IX         | 73½ | 30½  |
| LAMC #1         | 71  | 33   |
| Spt. Elm. #1    | 68  | 40   |
| LAIR #1         | 63  | 41   |
| USASSG          | 49  | 59   |
| 51st Engr       | 42  | 62   |
| 93d MI Bn       | 38  | 66   |
| Courier Sta.    | 34  | 70   |

### Black Bart Raft Race

Approximately 50 high school age young people from the Presidio community will be participating in the annual Young Life-sponsored Black Bart Raft Race in Sacramento on May 12 and 13.

The weekend event will begin on Friday night with a concert featuring local talent at the Cal Expo Fairgrounds. Students will be housed for the night in Sacramento area high school gyms.

Saturday morning activities will include Square Dancing and a picnic at Discovery Park in Sacramento. Parents have been invited to the picnic and to watch the raft race which will begin at Discovery Park at 1 p.m. The picnic will begin at 11:30 a.m.

Registration information and fees for this event are now being collected by Young Life Staff. For more information call the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682, 561-3535.

### Fresh Fish

If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Lake Elizabeth, Alameda Creek, Arroyo del Valle Reservoir.
- Contra Costa County — Lafayette Reservoir.
- Marin County — Phoenix Reservoir.
- Santa Clara County — Coyote Reservoir, Uvas Reservoir, Sandy Wool Lake, Campbell Percolation Pond, Cottonwood Lake.
- Santa Cruz County — Pinto Lake.
- Solano County — Lake Chabot.
- Mendocino County — Lake Emily, East Branch Russian River.
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced.

### Attention All Runners

All runners are invited to participate in the next Sports Branch sponsored race.

These monthly runs are at different sites each month to provide variety. The distances range from three to five miles over varied terrain. All finishers receive their time and place. The next run is scheduled for Wednesday, May 17 1978 at noon. The course will start/finish at the Main Post Gym.

This will be three miles of rolling cross-country.

### Tournies . . . Tournies

Entries close May 15, 1978 for the Handball and Squash Tournaments. Please sign up at the Sports Branch office, Main Post Gym, or call ext. 4120/5032 for further information.

### Post Tennis Tournament

The Open Division in the Post Tennis Tournament is narrowing down to the semi-finals with very few surprises.

Richard Bristow, USAG, is slated to play Richard Karsh, LAMC, in one semi-finals match, while Willie Session, LAMC, will play the winner of the Lynn Rasmussen, Sixth Army - Steve Bunker, LAMC match.

In the Novice Division, Paul Gagnon, USAG, Robert Albertazzi, WFRG, Richard Pasclich, WRRG and Donald Johnson, USAG, lead the way in the winner's bracket.

A strong Thomas Egan, LAMC, heads the Junior-Veterans Division. Possible challenges are expected from George Tirella, LAMC, Robert Ketchum, LAMC, and Craig Mandeville, Sixth Army.

### Youth

### Fishing Program

Volunteers are being sought to help the San Francisco Police Department with their Youth Fishing Program during the summer of 1978. This program was established 10 years ago, and in recent years has taken as many as 10,000 youngsters fishing during a single summer vacation. This includes both underprivileged children as well as members of different youth organizations.



The tentative schedule for the Fishing Program this year is, fishing at Lake Merced on Mondays and Party Boat fishing on Tuesdays through Fridays. At the present time it is planned to take out a minimum of two (2) boats each day and possibly four (4) boats each day.

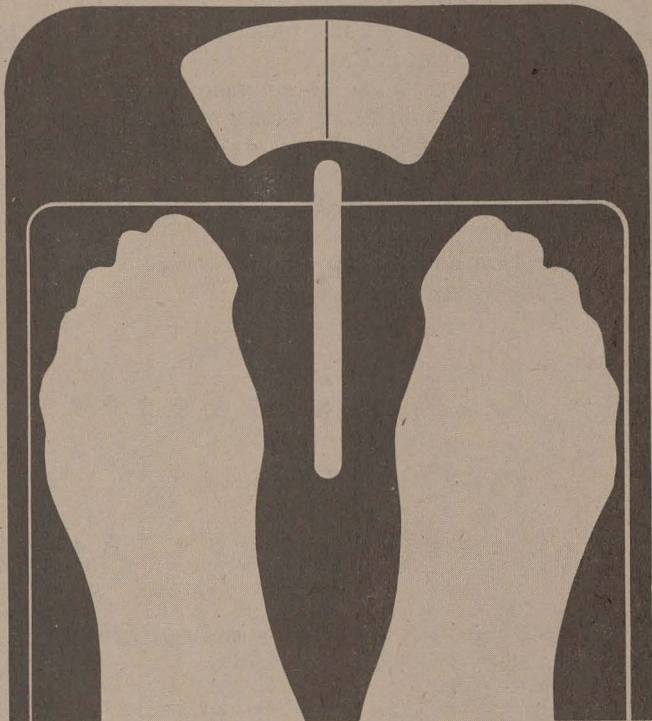
Volunteers would be required to go out on Mondays at Lake Merced from 9 a.m. until approximately 3 p.m. The party boat fishing starts at 5:30 a.m. and goes until 3 p.m.

Anyone interested in volunteering for the San Francisco Police Department Youth Fishing Program must obtain clearance to participate in the program from their Commander. Point of contact is MSG Fernandez, HHD, 504th MP Bn, ext. 561-4577.

### Watch

### Your

### Waist



If you're deep into calorie counting, there's something that will help you figure out how to keep tabs on your figure.

The nutrition label that now appears on many foods tells you exactly how many calories are in each serving of the food. With this information, it's much easier to keep track of the total calories you consume in a day, matched against the daily total required for your weight reduction plan. Nutrition labels also show proteins and vitamins and minerals — so you can control the nutritional value of the food you do consume.

That's why weight watchers ought to be label watchers. It figures.



# ... News Break ...

## Watch your Ps and Qs

A new policy for improving military appearance and bearing has been adopted on the Presidio.

The military police have been charged with implementing a uniform and courtesy program. All military personnel, who are observed with a uniform or courtesy violation, (e.g. hands in pocket, needed haircut, or failure to salute) will be cited for the deficiency.

It should be pointed out that the enforcement by the military police is not designed to harass the military community.

Enforcement of this policy will enhance individual dignity, and continue the proud tradition of the military uniform.

| UNIFORM AND/OR COURTESY VIOLATION                                 |                     |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------|
| ON _____ AT _____ HOURS _____                                     | (AREA) _____        |
| (Name & Grade) _____                                              | (Unit) _____        |
| Received "on-the-spot" counseling for the following violation(s): |                     |
| Hands in pockets                                                  | Failure to salute   |
| Needed haircut                                                    | Excessive sideburns |
| Mixed military and civilian attire                                | No headgear         |
| Excessively soiled/damaged clothing                               | Excessive moustache |
| Failure to correct an observed violator                           |                     |
| Other (Explained): _____                                          |                     |
| (Name & Grade) _____                                              | (Unit) _____        |

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## Rec Center news

On Friday, June 2, the Recreation Center has chartered the Long John Silver, which will leave from Treasure Island at 5 a.m. for a day of bottom fishing. The cost is \$17.00 per person and is limited to military personnel. Bait and tackle are supplied. Bring your own food, and beverage. You must also bring a fishing license. Sign up now at the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135, Ext. 2000/5420. This charter is limited to 25 people.

Join in the Paper Airplane Flying Contest on Saturday, May 27, at 2 p.m. The contest is open to all, and will be held on the outside balcony of the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135. All airplanes must be home built. There will be three categories of competition: 1) Total time in flight; 2) Overall distance; 3) Accuracy - approximately 50 ft. to the target. Prizes will be awarded to the top three places. For further details, call the Recreation Center, Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

## Suggestors of the Year

Nominations are now being accepted for the 1978-79 military and civilian Suggestors of the Year. Winners will be honored in October at the Secretary of the Army's Awards Day.

Nominations should be submitted in narrative format and endorsed by the local commander or designated representative. Copies of suggestion and Form 2441 should be included.

Nominations should be forwarded to reach HQ FORSCOM not later than June 1.

For more information, contact the Suggestion Incentive Awards Program.

## National Police Day

Almost ten years ago, Congress decided to dedicate May 15 of each year as Police Memorial Day and the week that it falls in as National Police Week.

This year National Police Week will be May 14 - 20. President Jimmy Carter will call upon the nation to remember those who died to protect life and property. give the community a chance to thank the police for their efforts in providing a safe and secure environment. Now is the time to salute each officer and his family. Police work is often a very thankless job. The **Star Presidian** staff takes this opportunity to say thank you.

## Carnival Time

In honor of Armed Forces Day 1978 there will be a carnival, as well as many other items of interest, at Treasure Island.

Military Night will start the weekend off on Friday, May 19, with several special services for military, DA civilians and their dependents. After work, head over to TI for Military Night. Carnival tickets will be half price and are on sale at Special Services, TI. A book of 20 tickets will be \$5.00. (regularly \$10).

Saturday, May 20 and Sunday, May 21, from 10 a.m. - 8 p.m. will be the official Armed Forces Day celebration. Everyone is invited to attend and admission is free. This day includes a Coast Guard demonstration, parachutes, rides on a Navy Patrol Boat, tours of the Chilean ship, Esmeralda (Pier 14), exhibits of Revolutionary War ships, vans, arts and crafts, rare photos, carnival rides and food.

Although admission is free, there is a small charge for the carnival rides and food.

## Take a Trip

LADYCOM, the magazine distributed to 400,000 military wives, is looking for a military family who is interested in taking a rafting trip (all expenses paid) on the Salmon River in Idaho this summer from June 24 to June 30. A special travel article on the trip appeared in LADYCOM's February travel issue. The trip is co-sponsored by Tour West and United Air Lines.

We are looking for a military couple and their child (between the ages of 9 - 16) to accompany a LADYCOM staff member and a special photographer on the trip. The family will be flown from their home to Boise, Idaho, and then to Salmon, Idaho, where they will begin their week-long rafting trip, which includes overnight hotel accommodations for the first night, a sightseeing river trip with expert guide service, three meals a day on the river, and complete camping equipment for the duration of the trip.

If you are interested in taking the trip, please send, by June 10, 1978, your name, address, phone number and ages of your family, along with a snapshot of those interested in taking the trip, to: LADYCOM, 1800 M Street NW, Suite 650 South, Washington, DC 20036.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, May 12, Candleshoe (G), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, May 13, Candleshoe (G), 2 and 7 p.m.  
Sunday, May 14, Rocky (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 15, Rocky (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 16, Mean Dog Blues (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 17, New York, New York (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, May 18, I Never Promised You A Rose Garden (R), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, May 12, The Shaggy D.A. (G), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 15, The Betsy (R), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 16, Grand Theft Auto (PG), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 17, Shoot (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, May 18, Exorcist II, The Heretic (R), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, May 12, Grand Theft Auto (PG), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, May 13, The Betsy (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 15, Candleshoe (G), 7 p.m.

**SHOOT (R)** What happens to five men who are fired upon during a hunting weekend? In shooting back, they kill one man and must decide ethically and morally what is right. They must use their wits and what equipment they can get to fend off the fanatical hunters who return to hunt more dangerous game — men...

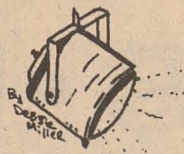
### NEW YORK, NEW YORK

**(PG)** A romantic musical about the struggling careers of a young danceband vocalist and a saxophone player who falls in love with her. She skyrockets to the top in an era when big bands were at their peak while he waits for public taste to catch up to his new style. Some material may not be suitable for children.



### ROCKY (PG)

Winner of a number of Academy Awards, this is an appealing story of Rocky Balboa, an unknown, but excellent boxer. He is picked by the World's Heavyweight Champion to be his opponent in a 'show' fight to give the champ a chance to flaunt his style. Rocky wants to go a full 15 rounds and prove he is no longer another loser. The action leads up to a gigantic climax in the ring. Violence may offend some.



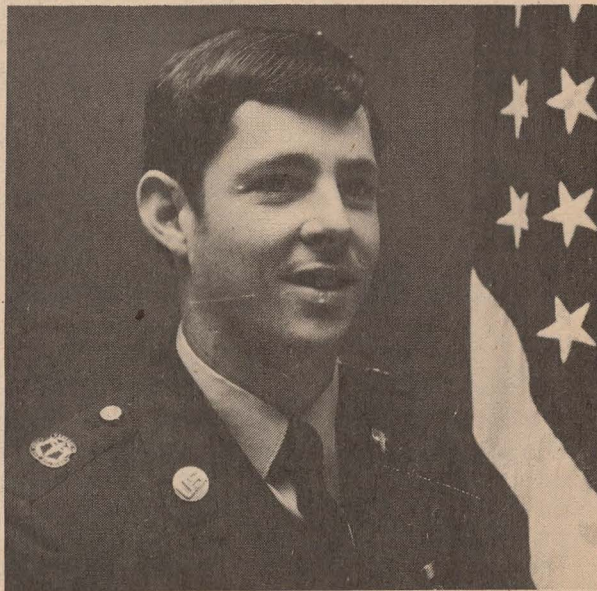
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# Spotlight

Army Specialist Four Robert S. Murray, animal caretaker with the Letterman Army Institute of Research, was recently presented a check for \$985.00 as the result of his adopted suggestion and invention.

One of the major programs being conducted at the Institute deals with owl monkeys and malaria research. Specialist Murray, along with three others, were given the responsibility of evaluating the caging systems and husbandry practices to study reproductive physiology in owl monkeys.

Because these are very sensitive little animals that live in tall trees and normally come out only at night, very little is known about their living habits and needs. Careful observation and cautious experimentation was necessary.



**Army Specialist Four Robert S. Murray** became nearly \$1,000 richer recently when he received a check from the incentive awards suggestion program at the Presidio for developing a new system for housing owl monkeys at the Letterman Army Institute of Research here. His development is expected to save the government some \$57,000 during the first year. (US Army Photo)

The monkeys have been housed in several types of commercial cages in an effort to discover the most favorable one in order to provide the monkeys the most favorable living conditions.

Those being utilized all proved to have a number of drawbacks. They were unsanitary; they occupied extensive floor space; they were not suited to the nature of the owl monkey in that they were located on the floor while the owl monkey by nature lives high up; the sizes of the cages were inflexible; and they were very expensive.

Each unit cost \$905 or a total of \$45,250 for the 50 cages required in the project.

Murray decided to design a cage which could be fabricated in the facility and conform to the special requirements of these particular animals. After some trial and error he developed a system which represents a very real contribution to the state-of-the-art for laboratory rearing of the owl monkey.

His design overcame most of the disadvantages of all the arrangements previously attempted and cut the cost of both acquisition and maintenance. The system was developed and tested during the previous year and is now in full use at the Institute.

The exceptional merit of the system has already received attention on a national scale. During February of this year, officials of the National Institute of Health solicited for a contract to breed owl monkeys for U.S. civilian scientists to use. The project is a large one to include housing and breeding of 500 animals. The contracting officials specified that Murray's caging system should be used by the contractor as the best system available.

The construction of each cage, including labor costs, totals \$89.16 including the rack as against the cost of \$905 per unit if purchased commercially. This represented a savings to the government of nearly \$41,000 plus, an estimated additional \$15,000 in labor for maintenance for a total of \$56,000 annually. During the lifetime of the project, Murray's system is expected to provide a savings to the government of nearly \$97,000.

Murray's system has provided a major technological advance as well as proving to be economical, greatly beneficial to the well-being of the animals, and enhances the quality and kind of research which may be conducted according to Institute officials.



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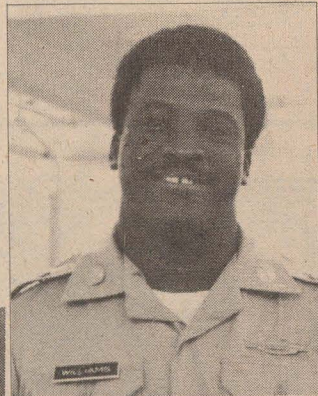
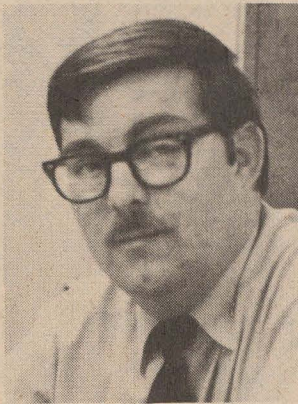


# Ramblin' Sam



How would you handle a rude person at a post facility?

**SSgt. Bob Cullum, Senior Movements Specialist, Transportation Div.** — "I find the only way to deal with such a person is to use sarcasm. When you deal with the person's supervisor, very little is done, and the incident is forgotten."



**SFC Charles Williams, Opns Sgt., DCST, TM & E** — "I wouldn't do anything. It makes no difference to me. Rudeness is something you will always experience. There are always a few of this type people around."

**Mr. Fred Kidwell, Mail Clerk, DCSPA** — "I would ignore it as much as possible. If the person got worse, I would say - 'Gee, have you forgotten to take your sweet pills this morning?' CPO is the only place that I have encountered rudeness on post."



**Miss Sybil Johnston, Secretary, Public Affairs Office.** — "Well, I rather think I would treat the rudeness with contempt and ignore it. After all, how do you combat rudeness, except with more rudeness? This would bring on more rudeness, which would put me on a level that I would not choose to be on."



**Ms. Jan Junod, Orders Clerk, DCSPA** — "I would put that person down in a manner that is calm and quiet. I would let them know that I am superior to their pettiness. I usually think of something strong to say many hours later, when it is too late."

**Maj. Edward Meshinsky, Ch., Opns and Analysis, DCST** — "I would contact his superior, indicating that the individual is here to provide a service to the public. If he doesn't want to provide that service to the public then he doesn't need the position."



**Mrs. Marilyn Crigger, Household Goods Counsellor, Personal Property Office** — "We don't have rude people in this division; but if I were to encounter rudeness, I would talk to the person's supervisor."



# Message For Our Readers

by Ted Elisee



Not too long ago, in an era when people all over America were demanding to be heard, "Bring us Together" became the campaign slogan of a candidate in his successful quest for the Presidency.

Interestingly enough, the candidate chose this slogan for his own after noticing it on a placard in a campaign crowd. This demonstrates that even a President is sensitive towards the feelings of others, and is anxious to know what people are thinking.

The staff of the Star Presidian does not hold Executive Power in the United States, but like the President, it hopes to be the voice of the people. The purpose of the newspaper is to reach as many people as possible with as many timely topics as it can, so that in the end, this paper will have something for everyone in the Presidio community — military, civilians, and dependents. It should be pointed out that it is the staff's intent to serve as many people as possible without spreading our subject material too thin.

Our nation's President does not become aware of problems or noteworthy material unless it is brought to his attention by the people around him. Our staff frequently operates under the same principle. By ourselves we can learn only so much about what is going on. Sometimes, news is brought to our attention by the people of the Presidio. When this happens, it helps us enormously and we do everything possible to give the event coverage.

In past issues, it has been stated a number of times that the Star Presidian staff wants to hear from you! This is your newspaper, not just ours. What is written may be "our style," but it is "your news." Our distribution is five thousand copies per week, but readership response is almost zero. Readership interest concerns us as much, or more, than distribution. An unread newspaper is as useful as an undeveloped photograph.

We once again encourage you to call us at ext. 3908 or 2005. Let us know what you want to see in your paper. Let us know what you don't want to see in your paper as well.

The success of the Star Presidian is up to all of us. We'll be glad to do our part. Won't you do yours? Doing your part will definitely help "Bring us Together."

# TROOP TALK

The best to all of you on the Presidio. Welcome to another week of Troop Talk...

You know, I put out a good tip last week — hope all of you out there were listening. I mentioned here last week that people heading out to the beaches for fun and sun should watch out for themselves and the kids. I guess I was right, those beaches — especially those without lifeguards on the California coast — are very dangerous. Local news broadcasts reported that there were several swimming accidents and deaths statewide last weekend. So please take care!

The word for the week is thoroughness. Many times, mistakes are made because of incomplete instructions or unclear explanations. Be sure that all you say is clear when giving instructions. Check around your office and make sure your SOPs and regs are up to date.

Gathering Troop Talk this week resulted in the following info: **MSG Ray Neeley** is a new point of contact for this column. Ray will be providing info from the **Readiness Region IX** side of the house. Ray tells me that congrats are in order to **MSG Ron and Mrs. Sylvia Johnson**. They were married recently. **CW2 Mike and Pam Indra** of **Rio Vista** are celebrating the birth of their son, **Casey**. **SSG John Greco** was selected for Warrant Officer. John will PCS to Ft. Stewart, GA.

At the **51st Eng Det.**, **Sgt. Larry Bean** will PCS to Germany. **Sp4 Randall Miller** re-enlisted for four years and opted to continue his tour on the Presidio. Well deserved **ARCOMs** were given to **Sgt. Robert Strongman** and **Sp4 Franklin Raphael**. Raphael is also to be congratulated for successful completion of a Wheeled Vehicle Mechanics Course at Ft. Lewis.

New arrivals to the **51st** are **Sp4 Rapoti Rapoti** a surveyor from Ft. Lewis who hails from Samoa, and **Pvt. Elizabeth McAlevy** from Ft. Leonard Wood. Congrats are in order to the **Killon family**. They have a new little boy in their home.

**USAG** bid farewell to **Sp4 Linda Butehorn** who departed for Ft. Ord. **Nadine Romero** now proudly

wears the rank of Sp4.

My stringer from the **402nd MP Co.** is away at Ft. Lewis attending a CBR course. His able assistant, **PFC Poindexter**, did a great job gathering the information for his unit, though. He tells me that **Robin Joy Baldwin**, and **Richard Klepach** both received promotions to Sp4. Get well wishes go out to Richard, who is recovering from an accident he had on Exercise Brave Shield.

**163rd MP Co.** has two new people to add to their rolls. They are **SSgt. Larry Mitchell** and **PFC Kevin Hart** from the **402nd**.

The **170th MP Co.** had a lot of news this week. First on the list is a sincere thank you for the outstanding job that the **504th MP Bn** did on their color guard display at the dinner for retiring **CSM Hodges**. Recent graduates from the NCO Academy at Ft. Ord are: **Sp4s Kenneth Steenberg, Nicholas Cannon, and Trina Smith**. PCSing are: **Sgt. James Becker** to Germany, **Sgt. Linda Tolley** to Germany, and **Sgt. Frank Luhn** to Germany.

Also PCSing are: **Sp4 Michael Worthington** to Korea and **Sp4 Gary Jackson**, also to Korea. Welcomed to the command is **Pvt. John Betz**, who is arriving from Ft. McClellan.

Well, that about ends another week. Words of wisdom: Love is like time, there is never enough of it. Until next week.

P.S. — A change of command occurred at the **51st Eng Det.** yesterday. **Capt. Hugo Craft** stepped aside as Company Commander, while **Lt. Robert Van Der Like** assumed the position. **Capt. Craft** has decided to return to civilian life to do engineering work in Michigan. His former first shirt, **SSgt. C. Castro**, extends sincere best wishes for a successful transition, and added that **Capt. Craft** is one of the most outstanding officers that he has ever encountered in the United States Army.

Also congrats are in order for **Jim Gilmore** of **LAIR**, who received a lateral promotion to **SSgt.** from **Sp6**. Talk to you next week.

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# AFD... Salutes... Parades... Exhibits



Part of the Armed Forces Day ceremony at Treasure Island is the carnival, featuring rides, bands, side-shows, and food. (photos courtesy Treasure Island Public Affairs Office.)

## Bay Area Highlights Moffett and T.I.

The public will get a chance to see the inside of the Navy's most sophisticated subhunter during the 1978 Armed Forces Day Open House at Moffett Field tomorrow.

Three P-3C "Orion" aircraft will be open for public viewing, and members of the plane's aircrew will be standing by to answer questions about the capabilities of the complex patrol plane.

A familiar sight in the skies over the Santa Clara Valley, the P-3 is the mainstay of the nation's Anti-Submarine Warfare effort.

Although the exterior of the aircraft is well known, few civilians have had the opportunity to see the inside of the huge planes.

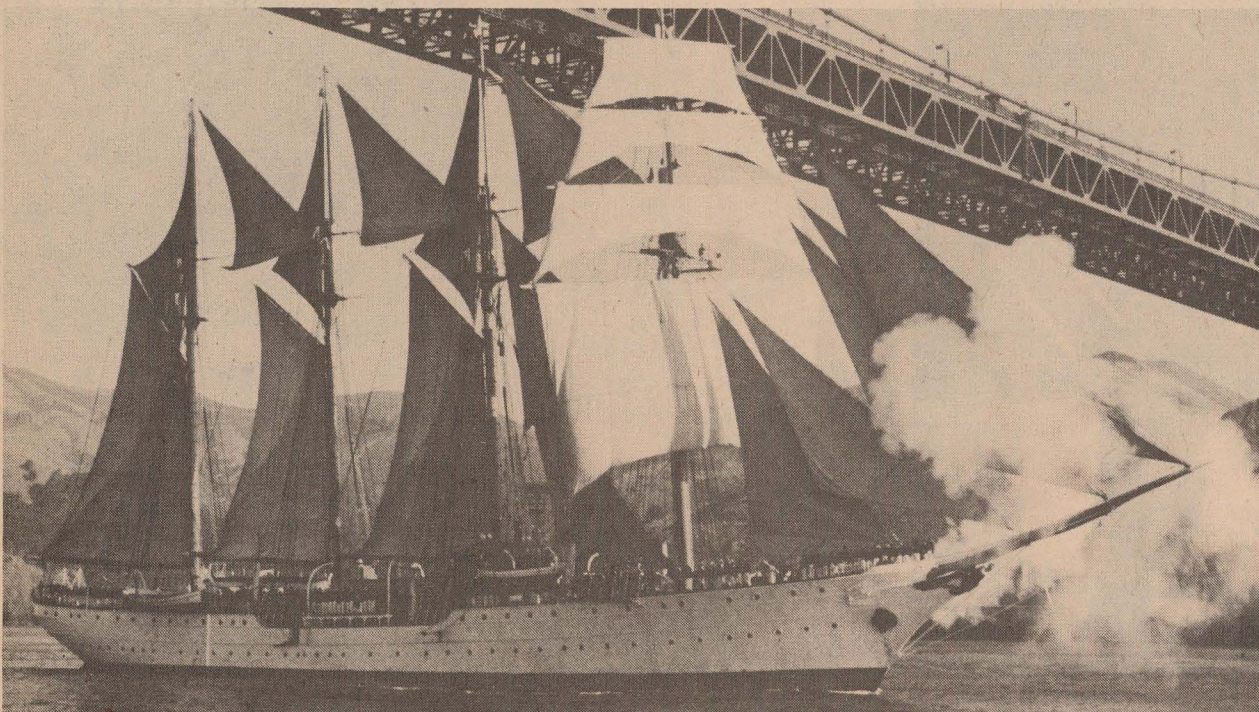
The squadrons hosting the public at Moffett on May 20 are: Patrol Squadron 31; Patrol Squadron 46; and Patrol Squadron 47. In addition, about 20 other military aircraft will be on display, as well as many interesting exhibits and displays inside Hangar One.

Gates open to the general public at 10 a.m., and the visiting ends at 4 p.m. Admission and parking are free, refreshments will be available at nominal cost.

Treasure Island—the site of the 1939 World's Fair—is proud to present "Armed Forces Day 78", tomorrow and Sunday. Numerous activities and events, running continuously from 10 a.m. through 8 p.m., are planned to meet the interests of all ages. There will be no admission charge to the Island.

The Marine Harrier, a one-man-jet with vertical standing take-off and landing capabilities, will demonstrate its amazing versatility and maneuverability. Marines will rappel from a hovering helicopter 200 feet above the ground and the Navy's famed Parachute Team West will skydive onto the Island. In addition, demonstrations of search and rescue operations will be conducted by the Coast Guard. The Navy's Riverine Patrol Boats will give free rides to the general public and the Chilean sailing ship Esmeralda will also be open to the public. The South American training ship is over 300 feet long, displacing over 3,000 tons with a sail area of nearly 27,000 square feet. The carnival will be complete with all the rides, games and great food that go with gala celebrations.

In addition to the main events there are a number of demonstrations and exhibits that can be viewed continuously throughout both days. They range from an art and crafts show, to van exhibits, rare photos and much more.



The Chilean sailing ship Esmeralda will offer free tours. The ship will be moored to TI's Pier #14.

### Secretary Speaks Out

#### ARMED FORCES DAY MESSAGE, 1978

On this 28th observance of Armed Forces Day, America pauses to recognize the men and women of the Armed Forces and the crucial role which they play in preserving peace for the United States and its allies.

Today's Army is strong, well-equipped and manned by a professional and dedicated community of people who provide the courage, skill and leadership to sustain the vitality of the Active Army, Reserve Components and Department of the Army Civilian workforce.

Your steadfast devotion to duty at home and abroad justifies the faith of America in your ability and makes worthwhile the sacrifices of those who once stood where you now stand in the accomplishment of missions vital to our Nation and its defense. I am proud of the United States Army and your daily efforts which make the Army Team a capable and effective force in the preservation of peace.

*Gifford Alexander*

### Schedule of Events

#### ARMED FORCES DAY OPEN HOUSE

Treasure Island, May 20-21, 1978

#### CONTINUOUS EVENTS

Carnival  
Art Show  
Craft Fair  
Sport Vans Exhibit  
Security Display SFPD  
Riverine Patrol Boat rides  
Navy and Marine Corps Museum  
Rare Aviation Photo Collection  
Civil Air Patrol Squadron 86 Display  
East Bay Regional Park District Display  
Coast Guard Shuttle Boat to YBI Open House  
Chilean Training Ship **Esmeralda** at dockside  
Replicas of Revolutionary War Flotilla Bldg. 180

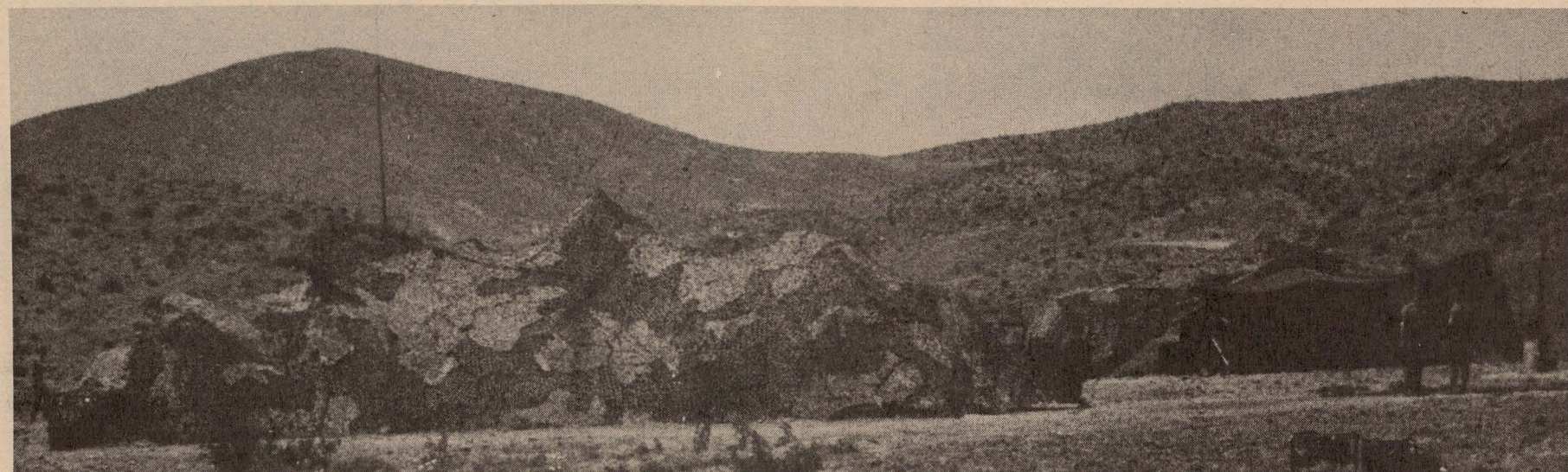
"Antarctic Support" Basilone Theatre  
Saturday at 12, 2 and 4 p.m.  
Sunday at 12 and 2 p.m.  
Magic Show Basilone Theatre  
Saturday and Sunday at 1, 3 and 5 p.m.

Open House aboard the Amphibious Command Ship USS Blue Ridge and the new Spruance Class Destroyer USS Elliot at San Francisco Embarcadero Piers 45 and a pier to be assigned.

#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS Saturday and Sunday, May 20-21

10:00 Main Gate opens. Carnival and Museum open. Crafts fair, Replicas of Revolutionary War Flotilla, Historic Photo Display.  
10:30 Brent Stockwell and his Hot Air Balloon will launch from the football field.  
11:00 Lift-off of Navy Parachute Team West at the football field. Sea Cadet Pass and Review commences at 4th Street and Avenue C (Saturday only).  
11:30 Sky-diving demonstration.  
12:00 Chilean Training Ship **Esmeralda** open for visiting. "Antarctic Support" film and presentation at Basilone Theatre.  
12:30 Marine helicopter and rappelling demonstration.  
1:00 Vertical take-off and landing aircraft demonstration (Harrier) at the Helo Pad. Magic Show at Basilone Theatre.  
1:30 Coast Guard Search and Rescue (SAR) demonstration at the Eastern sea wall. Concert by Navy Band, San Francisco, at Band Stand.  
2:00 Riverine Boat Demonstration at Eastern sea wall. "Antarctic Support" film and presentation at Basilone Theatre.  
2:30 Travis AFB Drill Team at Band Stand.  
3:00 Concert by Navy Band, San Francisco at Band Stand. Magic Show at Basilone Theatre.  
4:00 "Antarctic Support" film and presentation at Basilone Theatre. Karate demonstration at Band Stand (Sunday only).  
4:30 Concert Navy Band, San Francisco.  
5:00 Magic Show at Basilone Theatre.  
5:30 Harrier and helicopters depart.





A prime example of successful camouflage....look closely. You may be able to make out the main company area.

# Hard Times in the Old Camp Grounds

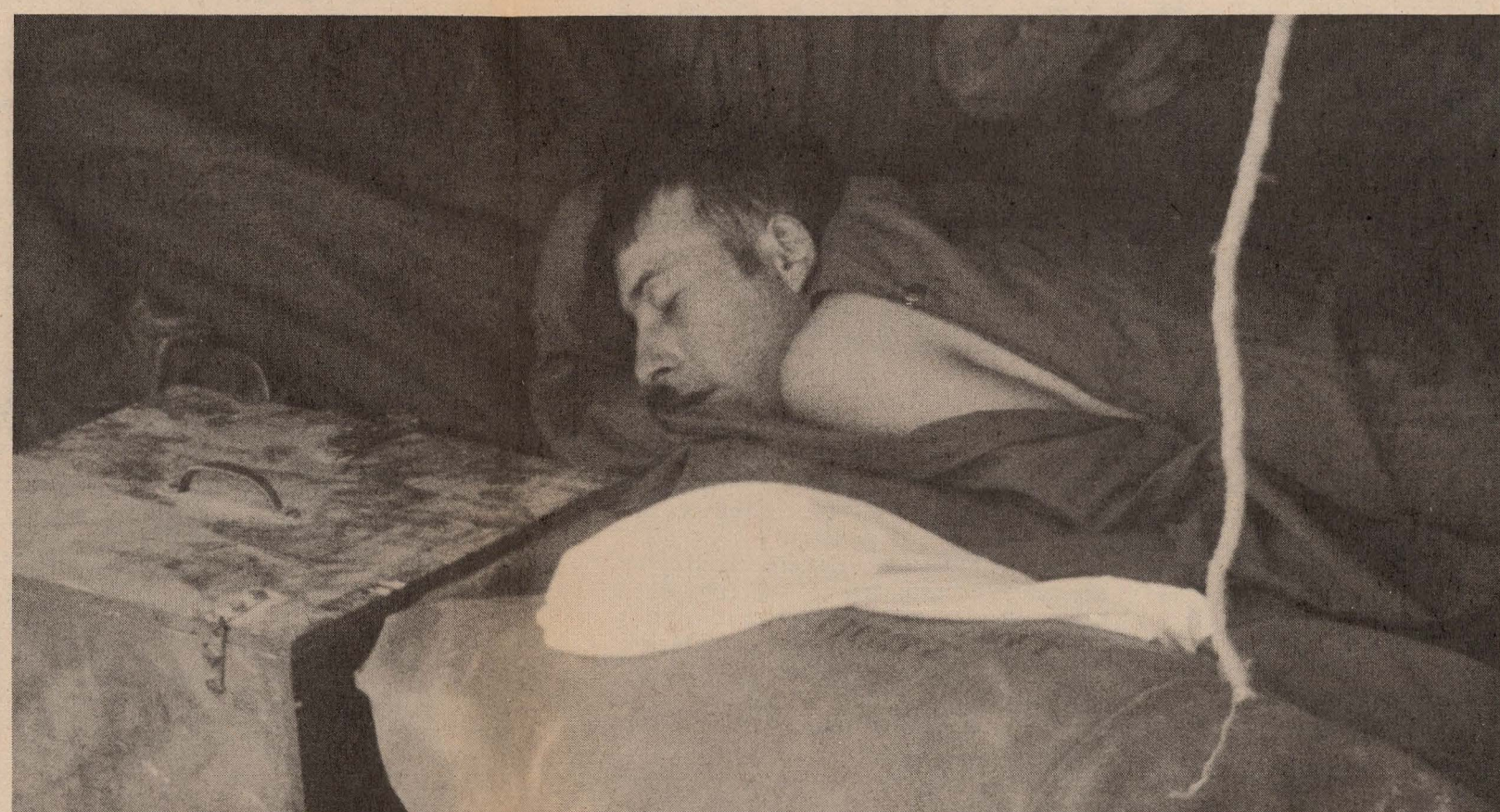
Story and photos by  
Nick Pokrovsky and Donn Edwards



Setting up camouflage during the 402nd MP's recent Joint Readiness Exercise at Fort Irwin is SSgt. Gary Strickler (front) and Pvt. Robert Knudson. The concealment techniques were used to avoid air or land detection.



Life in the field lacks some of the comforts of home...Sp4 Dennis Edwards attests to that as he tries shaving.



Pulling Prisoner of War security, Division Tactical Operation Center security, providing rear area protection, traffic and circulation control and handling 'real world' incidents can definitely tucker a person out...Sgt. Lorence Ort tries to catch a cat-nap before his duties as an MP in the field call again.



The Air Force participated in the exercise by providing air support which helped create a realistic atmosphere for the 402nd.



As the sun slips behind the horizon, Pvt. Paul Donati experiences all the emotions of the Silent Sentry.



# ... News Break ...

## Ballet Lessons

Parents interested in having their children, ages 5 up, participate in ballet classes are requested to contact Mrs. Piernik, telephone 994-0681 (Daly City) between 12-2 p.m.; or register at Bldg. 1390 (near Ft. Scott Chapel) Mondays, Tuesdays and Thursdays 4-6 p.m. throughout the month of May. Classes are scheduled June 5 through July 25.

## Paper Airplane Fete

Join in the Paper Airplane Flying Contest on Saturday, May 27, at 2 p.m. The contest is open to all, and will be held on the outside balcony of the Rec Center, Bldg. 135. All airplanes must be home built. There will be three categories of competition: 1) Total time in flight 2) Overall distance 3) Accuracy - approx. 50 feet to the target. Prizes will be awarded to the top three places. For further information call the Rec Center at ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

## Uniform Change

The Presidio Clothing Sales Store no longer has brass-tipped web belts and is selling subdued tips for all uniforms. This is being done through the authorization of SB 700-20, which approved the open-face black buckle for all uniforms. The brass buckles and tips will remain authorized for use separately or with the subdued items.

## Let's Go Fishing

On Friday, June 2, the Recreation Center has chartered the Long John Silver, which will leave Treasure Island at 5 a.m. for a day of bottom fishing. The cost is only \$17.00 per person and is limited to military personnel. Bait and tackle are supplied. Bring your own food and beverage. You must also bring a fishing license. The charter is limited to 25 people and the last day to sign up is Sunday May 21. Stop by the Rec Center, Bldg. 135 or call ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

## Bicycle Fun

Mark your calendar, on Saturday and Sunday, June 10 and 11, the Rec Center will be presenting two action packed days of bicycle fun. Activities will include bicycle dealer displays, races, films, rentals, and a family bicycle ride. Representatives from the San Francisco Police and local clubs will be on hand to discuss safety, touring, and maintenance, and the program will close Sunday evening with a barbecue. For further information contact the Rec Center, Bldg. 135 or call ext. 2000/5420 after 2 p.m.

## Palace of Fine Arts

Discount tickets are available to the Presidio community for "San Francisco Plays the Palace," a two-day salute to the Panama-Pacific Exposition at the Palace of Fine Arts, tomorrow and Sunday, May 20-21. The Sixth Army Band will open the celebration at 10 a.m., tomorrow, to be followed by a lavish display of continuous entertainment, old time San Francisco foods and spirits, parades and exhibits, fashion shows, a Chaplin Film Festival and strolling musicians. The \$2.00 tickets, regularly priced at \$5.95, may be picked up either in the Sixth Army Public Affairs Office, Room 113, Bldg. 38, or at the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135, from 2 to 10 p.m. on weekdays and 2 to 6 p.m. on weekends.

## USO Activity

Celebrating its first anniversary in its new location at 375 O'Farrell St., San Francisco USO will hold a giant Nostalgic Open House Reunion from Armed Forces Day through Memorial Day, May 20 - 29, every day from 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. Drop in at San Francisco USO. Bring your friends and family. Make new friends. Renew old contacts. See photos of USO in action through the years. Help San Francisco USO celebrate 37 rewarding years of dedicated service to the military in San Francisco!

## Summer School Classes

Summer sessions at City College San Francisco, College of Marin, and Indian Valley College begin June 20. Registration is currently in progress. Active duty personnel and dependents are reminded that they are not charged out-of-state tuition during their first year in California. After one year, active duty personnel may use tuition assistance for 3/4 of the cost, if appropriate paperwork is completed at least three days in advance of the class starting date. See a college counselor at the Ft. Scott or LAMC Education Centers for more information.

## A Night at the Theater

The Presidio Players production "The Owl and the Pussycat," the adult comedy hit by Bill Manhoff, opens at the Presidio Playhouse on Friday, May 26. The play is being presented in conjunction with the Army-wide American Theatre Month and will be performed on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 p.m., through June 10, with a final performance on Sunday, June 11, at 7 p.m. The two-character comedy features Sp4 Denise Scarboro, 170th MP Co, and Paul Marvel, Bay Area actor. Beginning Wednesday, May 24, the Playhouse box office will be open Wednesdays through Saturdays from 1-5 p.m., and 30 minutes before performances. Tickets are regularly \$2.00 and \$1.00 for military personnel, dependents, and retired military personnel.

## Movies

**PRESIDIO THEATER**  
Friday, May 19, I Never Promised You A Rose Garden (R), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, May 20, Raggedy Ann and Andy (G), 2 p.m.  
Sunday, May 20, King Kong (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 21, High Anxiety (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 22, High Anxiety (PG), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 23, Beyond the Door (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, May 24, The Pink Panther Strikes Again (PG), 7 p.m.  
Friday, May 25, Orca (PG), 7 p.m.

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**  
Friday, May 19, Candleshoe (G), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 22, Rocky (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, May 23, Mean Dog Blues (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, May 24, King Kong (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, May 25, New York, New York (PG), 7 p.m.

**OAKLAND ARMY BASE**  
Friday, May 19, Mean Dog Blues (R), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, May 20, Rocky (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, May 22, I Never Promised You A Rose Garden (R), 7 p.m.



**BEYOND THE DOOR (R)**  
Richard Johnson makes a deal with the devil to deliver Juliet Mills' baby. What will the baby be: a beautiful human, or a descendant of the devil?

**NEW YORK, NEW YORK (PG)**  
A romantic musical about the struggling careers of a young danceband vocalist and a saxophone player who falls in love with her. She skyrockets to the top in an era when big bands were at their peak while he waits for public taste to catch up to his new style. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**HIGH ANXIETY (PG)**  
Mel Brooks is once again launching a frontal assault on the national funnybone. This is a Brooks-eye view of the thrill-packed world of suspense via Alfred Hitchcock. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**ROCKY (PG)**  
Winner of a number of Academy Awards, this is an appealing story of Rocky Balboa, an unknown, but excellent boxer. He is picked by the World's Heavyweight Champion to be his opponent in a 'show' fight to give the champ a chance to flaunt his style. Rocky wants to go a full 15 rounds and prove he is no longer another loser. The action leads up to a gigantic climax in the ring. Violence may offend some.

## Music Lessons

The Rec Center is offering lessons in guitar and piano. Contact the Rec Center, Bldg. 135 or call ext. 2000/5420 after 2 p.m.

## SNAFU

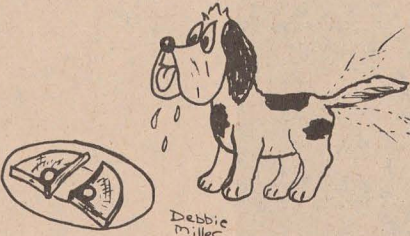
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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| CRAIPY |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CRIFOL |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| TACKES |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SLIPTO |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| HIDREN |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



What the dog does when served pork for dinner.

\_\_\_\_\_ HIS \_\_\_\_\_

Answers to last week's: TROPHY, ENCORE, INDUCT, ALIAS, NORMAL  
ANSWER: HOOTENNANY

## Crime Scene

The problem of opportunistic or casual theft has increased during the past several months here at the Presidio. Currently, thieves are taking small, easily carried items such as coats, jackets, radios and watches from offices when the occupants are momentarily away.

Most of these items have been left unsecured by the owner. Unsecured items are a thief's wish come true. Your cooperation is vital to the effort to control this type of crime. Lock up your valuables and don't leave purses, watches and radios lying around in the office if you are going to be away from your desk.

For your own protection, and as an investigative aid to the Military Police, mark personal property used in your offices with your driver's license number. Engravers are available at the Provost Marshal's office.

If you have any information as to any possible perpetrator(s) of this type of crime, contact the Military Police Investigations Section at Ext. 4217/4721.



S.P.O.R.T.S

Out To Lunch

Enjoying A Diet of Exercise

Story and photos by Ted Elisee

"Exercise increases the power of concentration, makes me sleep better, and has improved my sex life," says **Jose Whitaker** of USAG. "I have been working out for years and I feel that I could never be what I am without body building."

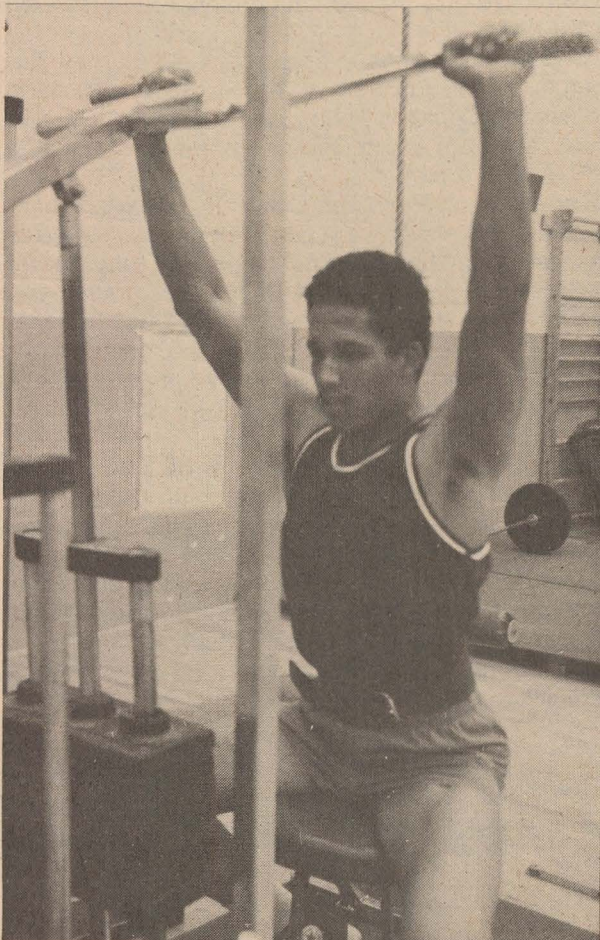
The Presidio Gym at lunch hour has become a place for a meeting of the bodies. By improving the bodies, many hope to become better people.

**Steve Frary**, of CPO, exercises and runs on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays. "Exercising gets rid of anxiety and I believe it will prevent poor health. I work out here because I commute from Petaluma everyday and I have a small family. Working out here gives me time with my family in the evening. Exercise also gives me self satisfaction," said Steve.

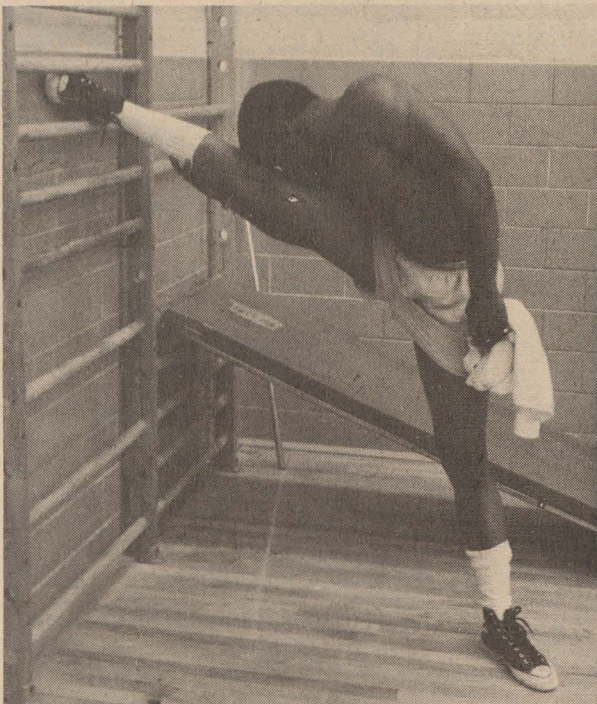
In the field of weightlifting, Jose Whitaker and **Larry Tate** can be seen in a joint effort, on a daily basis. Says Larry, "I'm here everyday working out. I believe two people should lift weights together. One person bolsters the others ego. Psyching yourself up is easier when someone else is around to encourage you."

Jose said, "It's not difficult to build yourself up with weights. Take a person who is 165 lbs. He can start lifting 90 lbs. in different positions. He should do five repetitions to begin with. At the end of two months time, if the person has progressed properly, he should be able to work up to his own body weight. (In this case - 165 lbs.)

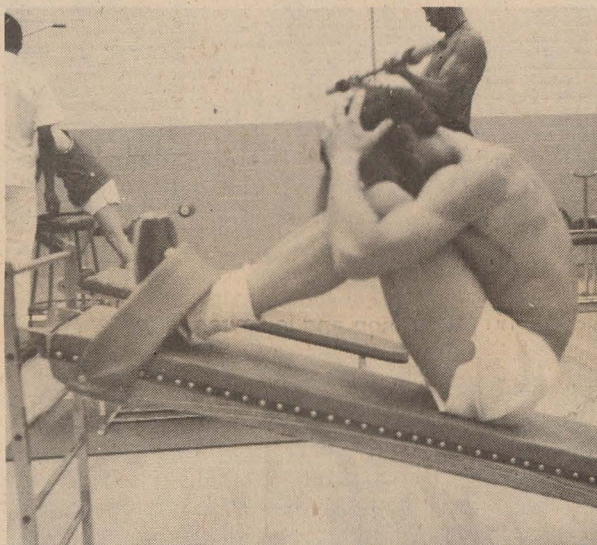
Another lunch/gym pastime is basketball. **Jim Hatten**, of SJA, plays basketball to keep in shape. Jim commented, "Basketball gives me a break from my desk. I've been playing here for eighteen months and not only do I feel good, I also get to meet a lot of people." (More lunch hour coverage next week.)



Larry Tate is psyching himself up for more strenuous exercise in his second phase of weightlifting.



Jose Whitaker shows physical and mental stamina in this classic pose.



Steve Frary demonstrates a movement that he believes is beneficial to his health.

Run For Your Life

The Second Annual Fleet Admiral Nimitz Mini-Marathon at Treasure Island, May 27 at 10 a.m. will provide local runners an opportunity to go up against top competition over an unusually scenic and demanding course.

The 10 kilometer (6.2 mile) course covers the largest manmade island in the world and the rugged slopes of Yerba Buena Island. This is the first time the race will be held on Treasure Island and Yerba Buena Island — the first Marathon that was open to the public was held last year in Berkeley.

The site was switched to accommodate the growing interest in the Marathon which began in 1976 with the

support of Mrs. Nimitz, who donated the trophies. The first Marathon was restricted to the midshipmen of the Navy ROTC at the University of California, Berkeley.

Persons over 12 years of age are eligible to compete — without an A.A.U. card. The divisions are: 12-17 years; 18-29 years; 30-39 years; and 40 and over. The first 200 to cross the finish line will receive a Nimitz Mini-Marathon T-shirt.

The entry fee is \$1, and it should be sent to D.R. Shepherd, 25 Callaghan Hall, UCB, Berkeley, Ca. 94702. For more information, call D.R. Shepherd at (415) 642-3551.

Post Tennis Champion

**Willie Session**, LAMC, defeated **Richard Bristow**, USAG, 6-3, 7-6, for the Post Tennis Championship in the Open Division. Session and Bristow will be members of the Presidio team in the Open Division in the FORSCOM Championships June 19 - 23, to be hosted here

Final selection of the rest of the team members in the Open Division, Jr. Vets., Veterans Division and Women's Division will be made in the near future.

Fishing Info

If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Lake Chabot, Shadow Cliff Lake, Alameda Creek, Arroyo del Valle Reservoir.
- Contra Costa County — San Pablo Reservoir
- Lake County — Upper Blue Lake, Pillsbury Reservoir
- Marin County — Stafford Reservoir, Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir
- Mendocino County — East Branch Russian River, Howard Lake, Cleone Lake
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced
- San Luis Obispo County — Atascadero Lake, Laguna Lake
- Santa Clara County — Stevens Creek Reservoir, Lexington Reservoir

Bowling Standings

| Presidio League | Won | Lost |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| USACC           | 81½ | 26½  |
| Reg. IX         | 76½ | 31½  |
| LAMC #1         | 72  | 36   |
| Spt. Elm. #1    | 68  | 40   |
| LAIR #1         | 67  | 41   |
| USASSG          | 49  | 59   |
| 51st Engr       | 42  | 62   |
| 93d MI Bn       | 39  | 69   |
| Courier Sta.    | 34  | 74   |

FORSCOM Tourney

The Post Volleyball team will depart Saturday for Ft. Lewis, WA, to represent the Presidio in the Western Region FORSCOM Championships, May 22 - 26.

Members of the team making the final cut are: player/coach Lambert Nahulu and Clarence Nakatsukasa from 6th Army, Roko Smiljanic and Lon Peterson from LAIR, Dave Gallinger and Lancelot Kualii from 51st Engr Det., Raymond Ames, AFEES, Jeffery Nitta, USACC and Dave Ludwig, USACIDC.

Play Ball

Softball Results

|                               |    |            |   |
|-------------------------------|----|------------|---|
| USAG                          | 15 | 864th Engr | 7 |
| 402nd MP                      | 27 | 16th AG    | 3 |
| ARRIX                         | 21 | 170th MP   | 7 |
| HHD, 504th MP                 | 12 | USACC      | 6 |
| May 9                         |    |            |   |
| LAIR #1                       | 13 | LAMC #1    |   |
| US Attorney's                 | 14 | DENTAC     | 7 |
| FBI                           | 17 | LAIR #2    | 4 |
| LAMC #2                       | 14 | USPHS      | 2 |
| May 10                        |    |            |   |
| 93rd MI                       | 11 | WRRRC      | 3 |
| USAG                          | 10 | 16th AG    | 4 |
| ARR IX                        | 14 | 864th Engr | 3 |
| 504th vs 402nd game postponed |    |            |   |

May 11

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| LAIR #1       | 16 | LAIR #2 | 9 |
| 666th Rad Sqd | 12 | DENTAC  | 6 |
| FBI           | 10 | LAMC #2 | 7 |
| US Attorney's | 16 | USPHS   | 5 |

May 15

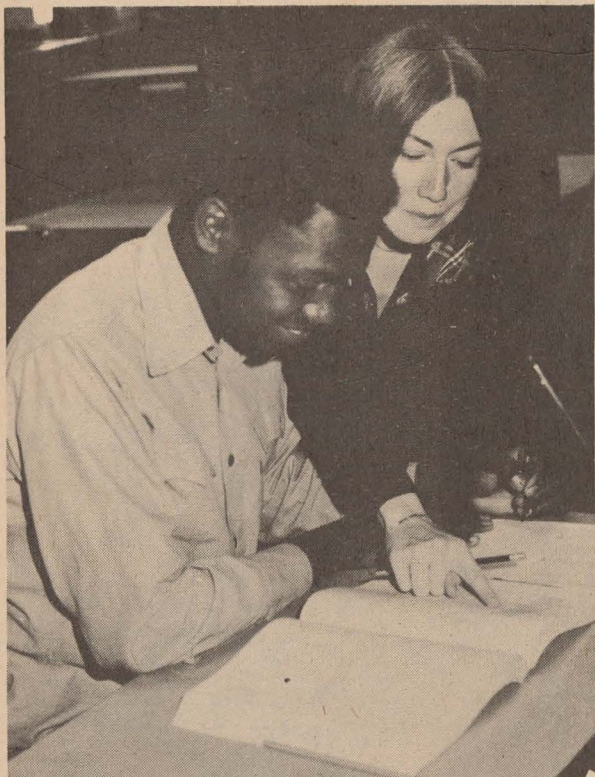
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| 170th WRRRC game postponed |    |         |   |
| 93rd MI                    | 11 | USACC   | 8 |
| HHD, 504th MP              | 20 | 16th AG | 1 |

May 16

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|---------------|----|---------------|----|
| LAIR #2       | 12 | LAMC #1       | 12 |
| 666th Rad Sqd | 10 | USPHS         | 8  |
| LAMC #2       | 6  | LAIR #1       | 5  |
| FBI           | 13 | US Attorney's | 5  |



# Sit Down... Relax... Learn



**PFC Lee Wayne Fox of 51st Eng. Det. is assisted by Ros Ruhl of the Ed Center in his preparation for GED.**

Going to school is something everyone has done. But look around your office or unit ... who has the better jobs, with more responsibility and more pay? Nine times out of ten the answer will be — those with the most education.

The Army Education Center has several ways to get YOU (active duty, retired, and dependent personnel) to the top!

One of the options available is the Learning Resource Center. Located at the Ft. Scott Education Center, the Center is open Mondays, Tuesdays, and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 8 p.m. and Wednesdays, 8:30 a.m. to 8 p.m.

The Learning Resource Center is geared towards those personnel who can't get off work to take regular classes and for those who need help with any classes they are currently involved in. Using audio equipment, with hearing aids (cassette tapes, etc.) the students progress at their own pace. Small class meetings are also set up for three or four students to compare progress and problems, and to hold individualized tutoring sessions.

Some of the more popular courses include G.E.D., S.A.T., A.C.T., resume writing, grammar, writing, vocabulary, math, algebra, shorthand, foreign languages and a number of others.

"Many times a commander will send in someone from the orderly room," explained Rosalind Ruhl, supervisor and tutor, "and have them brush up on typing, grammar, or punctuation. It's an excellent opportunity, too, for those re-entry wives — wives going

back to work after several years away from the job market — to freshen their memories."

The Center also offers a headstart to those going overseas... learn the language before you go! Both German and Korean are offered, so if you're headed in either of these directions, a few hours a week may prove invaluable.

Dependent children who are having problems in school can also receive tutoring. Helping someone before they fail can make all the difference in that person's attitude toward schooling. Poor study habits are another problem all students face. Study skills and testing techniques are both offered to help the student.

When you first get involved at the Learning Resource Center, an initial diagnostic test is given. This also brings out individual strengths and weaknesses and tells the tutor which areas to concentrate on. From there, it's up to you. Your progress is checked and charted as you go on towards the "top." You work out your class schedule with the tutor so the times are convenient to you both. Flexibility is a key word.

"Not only is it important to keep learning, it's also important to have a goal, get out, meet people and share ideas," Rosalind Ruhl stated. "For the dependent wife, for example, one or two hours a week at the Learning Center can make such a difference in attitude, morale and self-confidence. And this is something everyone CAN do."

For more information on how YOU can get to the top, contact Rosalind Ruhl or Betty Norreen at the Learning Resource Center, ext. 2974/4445.

## Pay Day Blues

by Don Delver

It's difficult to argue with a man holding a knife at your throat. Still, Sgt. Brown resented the idea of giving most of his paycheck to a stranger, especially one who had just threatened to slit his throat. "How did I get myself into this," he thought, as the stranger roughly removed his wallet. Later, as he lay on his bunk, he tried to reconstruct the events leading up to the robbery. Perhaps by examining Sgt. Brown's mistakes along with him, you may be able to avoid becoming a victim of a robbery, mugging or similar crime.

Brown had picked up his pay as usual, but instead of going to the bank to deposit it right away, he had decided to stop by his favorite quafforium and have a quick beer. It was there he met Jessica, the enchantress. He felt the warmth of her smile spread slowly through his body, enhancing the easy glow from the alcohol he was drinking. It wasn't long before they were sitting close to one another, Brown buying first one round and then another. He was glad he'd kept his money with him. The large number of bills in his wallet were bound to impress the young lady, and lead, perhaps, to better things.

She was impressed, but not half so much as the seedy looking man slouched over his beer as a couple of bar stools away. Glancing furtively in Brown's direction, the man's eyes fell on the tens and twenties that filled his wallet. A twisted half smile spread across his lips as he thought about the things he was going to do with the money he took from the unsuspecting soldier. He knew what would come next, because this scenario had been played and replayed many times. First, the soldier would drink with the girl until she decided to go home. The chances were excellent she would leave alone, and then the soldier would continue to drink to sooth his ego. Later, tired and drunk, he would head for home.

The robber was not disappointed. Before too long, Brown staggered to his feet and made his way unsteadily out of the bar. His natural instincts and reflexes were lost in an alcohol-induced stupor and he presented a tempting target for the would-be robber. In a moment he would feel the sharp point of the knife press close to the large arteries in his neck, and his hard earned money would be gone. He was lucky to

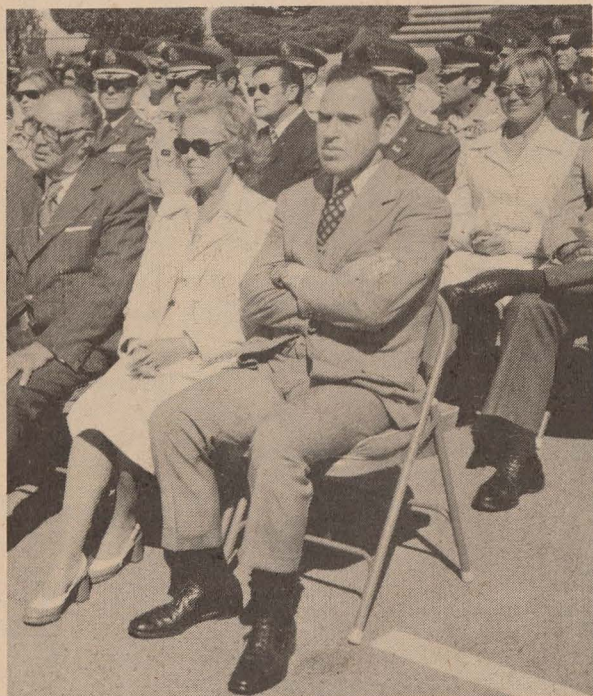
escape injury, because if he had tried to resist, he may not have survived.

But survive he did. And later, as he reconstructed the events of the night, he came to some conclusions about where he'd gone wrong. It all involved some prior planning. Brown should have deposited his pay and he shouldn't have gotten so drunk as to be unaware anyone was following him. He shouldn't have flashed his money so conspicuously, and should probably not have gone downtown alone. Staying in well lit, busy areas lessens the likelihood of an attack, and if you become aware that someone is following you, go to a restaurant, gas station or other public establishment and call the police.

Brown did follow one important rule, though — if someone uses a weapon to rob you, do not resist. Instead, concentrate on remembering his description so you can later identify him. As soon as possible, write down what you remember of his appearance and be prepared to testify in court.

These are the "rules" for avoiding or lessening the effect of a mugging. Don't learn them from experience like Sgt. Brown.

### Armed Forces Day Parade



**Assistant Secretary of Defense Dr. John P. White (front row, far right) attended the Presidio's Parade, and was the featured guest at the AUSA luncheon held yesterday. (photo by William Malkiel)**

## The Last Waltz

In 1948 the United States was pulling itself back up by the boot straps after World War II and the Depression. Times were hard, but the soldier still had respect of the uniform, pride and his military benefits to keep him going and his morale high.

It was then that James Hodges decided to become a soldier and make the life of a man in uniform his own.

Now, after more than 30 years of active duty service to his country, Command Sergeant Major James Hodges is retiring. Hodges has been the CSM here for the last two years.

In honor of CSM Hodges and his wife, Toni, a formal Dining Out was held recently at the Presidios Officers Club. More than 125 NCOs and their ladies turned out to honor him. Brief comments were offered by Lieutenant General Edward M. Flanagan, Commander of 6th U.S. Army, and by Colonel John D. Hamilton, Sr., Commander of the Presidio. Hodges was also presented a number of mementos from major units here.

A slide show, "This is Your Life, Jim Hodges", was the highlight of the evening. Col. Hamilton narrated the 'memories' on film and the generally unflappable Hodges was visibly moved.

That was just the first of several retirement parties for the Sergeant Major. Tuesday, Hodges was honored again at a luncheon attended by Presidio headquarters people at the Log Cabin.

The Hodges have chosen El Paso, TX, for their retirement and will be moving there after the retirement ceremony at the end of this month.



**CSM Hodges dances with his wife Toni. (photo by Jim Canfield)**



# Memorial Day, 1978

by Ted Elisee

About one month ago, MSG R.E. Leach of the Public Affairs Office, wrote to President Carter. In that letter, Sergeant Leach suggested to the President a proposed change to the present Tax System. He felt that the present tax structure was unfair, and suggested alternatives to the President. Basically, Leach felt that every one should be taxed equally, regardless of their pay brackets.

Leach wrote this letter fully believing that he would get an answer. He, in fact, did get an answer! Here it is:



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY  
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20220

ASSISTANT SECRETARY

May 8, 1978

Dear Mr. Leach:

On behalf of President Carter, thank you for your letter concerning the U.S. tax system. I am pleased to respond for the Treasury Department which has primary responsibility for the development of tax policy. Your suggestion that all income be taxed at a flat rate with no deductions or exemptions raises several difficult issues.

First, a flat-rate tax would conflict with the fundamental principle of the Federal income tax system that the amount of a person's income tax should be based upon that person's ability to pay. This principle requires that some minimal level of income be exempt from taxation and that taxpayers with larger incomes should not only pay more tax, but should pay a larger percentage of their additional income in tax. Also, a person's tax should be related to their family status, their family size, and to certain extraordinary expenses (such as medical costs) which significantly affect ability to pay taxes.

Secondly, the substitution of a flat-rate tax would result in a major redistribution of the burden among taxpayers. It would reduce the tax of high income individuals but would increase the burden of many lower income people, especially those who now pay little or no income tax. We believe that a progressive tax rate structure results in a fairer distribution of the tax burden than would a flat percentage rate structure.

Finally, by eliminating deductions, credits and progressive tax rates, a flat-rate income tax would produce substantial simplification. However, it would not eliminate the difficulties and the complexities in the present tax law which are associated with the definition and the measurement of income.

I am enclosing a pamphlet describing the tax reforms and key objectives of President Carter's Tax Program. Your comments concerning the tax system have been carefully noted. The President appreciates your taking the time to write.

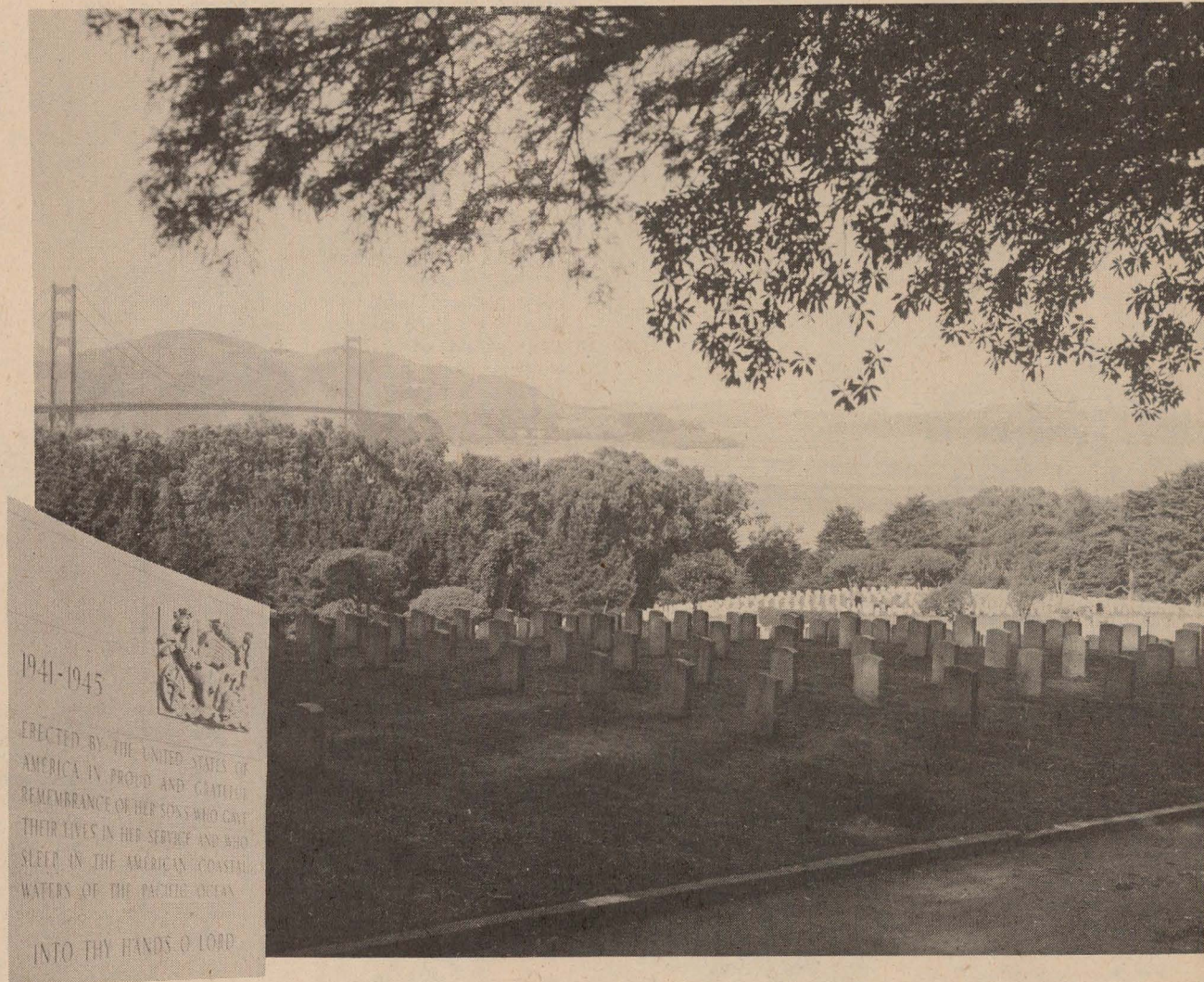
Sincerely,

Joseph Laitin  
Assistant Secretary  
(Public Affairs)

During my ramblin' for Ramblin' Sam this week, I was quite surprised to find that no one whom I interviewed had ever written their congressman or any elected official. Some of those interviewed felt that their letter would go unanswered, or that no action would be taken.

His letter is an example of an "answered letter." Said Leach, "I have written to a number of people on issues I have felt strongly about. I always receive a reply to my letters."

The elected official may not have an answer to your particular problem, but it is encouraging to know that your voice has been heard. As MSG Leach said, "Some letters I receive are very good, while others, like this one, merely support the status quo."



The San Francisco Mayor's Committee for the proper observance of Memorial Day 1978 will hold a Memorial Day Program at the National Cemetery on the Presidio, Monday, May 29 at 11 a.m. Mr. Robert Welch, Director of the Veterans Administration Regional Office, San Francisco, will be the main speaker. A twenty-one gun salute will be given by the 504th MP Bn. Music will be provided by the 6th Army Band and the Presidio Color Guard will place the national colors and the Army colors prior to the program. The wreath laying ceremony will be provided by the San Francisco Chapter, AUSA. (US Army Photo)

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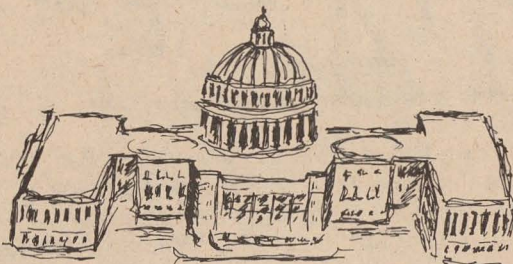
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## Let Your Voice Be Heard

by Ted Elisee

"I'm going to write my congressman, because he'll do something about this situation!"

How many times have you heard someone say this? Unfortunately, in most cases, the person cools down and never bothers to write the letter they felt sure they had to write.



Probably nine out of ten people in America have never written a letter to a congressional representative, or to anyone that holds an elective office.

What many people don't realize is that a letter to an elected representative is a constitutional right. A letter written by an individual to a person who holds elective office can have a great impact on that politician. After all, the man or woman who is writing a letter is a potential voter who also pays the legislator's salary.

Public opinion keeps the legislator on his toes. In most cases, the politician will take the time to respond to a letter. (See related story this page)

The following suggestions will make your letter effective: A) Address the letter properly: Hon. ..., House Office Building, Wash, D.C. 20515 or Senator..., Senate Office Building, Wash D.C. 20510. B) Identify yourself. C) Identify the bill or issue. Be as

specific as possible. D) Write the letter while there is still time to take action. E) Be concise and to the point. Even though many issues are complex, arguments stand a better chance of being read if they are brief. F) A personal letter is far more convincing than a form letter or a signature on a petition. G) Give exact reasons for the beliefs you state in your letter. H) If you have expert or personal knowledge, then share it!

Members of Congress want to hear their constituents' ideas. They are open to suggestions. Write them and let them know how you feel.

You may be the one to have an idea that could change the course of the nation!

## Vote Now

by Ted Elisee

Voting time is upon us again. No, it's not November... it's primary time. Primaries are just as important as the November elections. Why? Because you get to choose the candidates "you want" to run for political office. The candidates for office first have to be approved by the electorate in political primaries. You have a voice 'twice' within a given year, in most states.

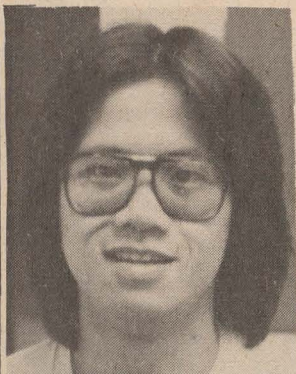
Now I'm not telling you what to do, but civic action is a given right. So, why not check out when primaries are being held in your home state? Your unit voting information officer can assist you in exercising your voice in government. Why not drop by and see him today?



# Ramblin' Sam



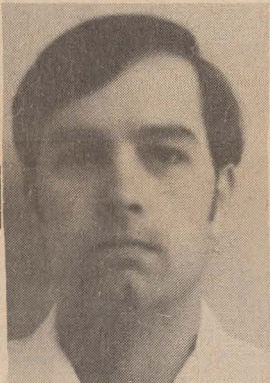
## Have you ever written to an elected official?



**Jeff Mah, Library Technician, LAIR** — "No, I have never gotten irate enough to write a letter. Besides, elected officials have not impressed me enough to write to them about something."



**Debbie Duclayon, Clerk Typist, Human Relations Div.** — "No, I have had no need. Some day I'd like to, but I believe there are thousands who would be ahead of me, and so I doubt that a government official would notice my letter."



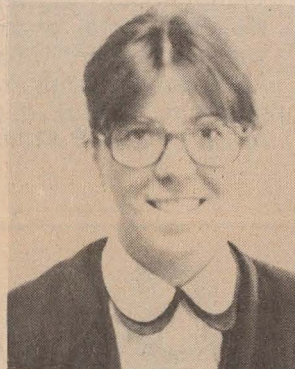
**Sp<sup>5</sup> Mark Vassar, M.D.**  
**Specialist, Dermatology,**  
**LAIR** — "There are times  
when I feel I should, but I  
never have. I feel that if I  
have to go to a Congress-  
man for help, then my case  
is a lost cause anyway."



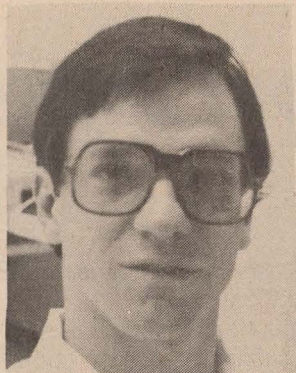
**Ms. A.G. Glynn, Staffing Clerk, CPO** — "No, I feel I have the same attitude as so many other people do. No action will ever be taken, so why should I write a letter?"



**LTC Jerry Parker, Chief Human Relations Division** — "No, I haven't. I suppose that is because I have gotten response by working in local activities. The congressman or elected official usually does his investigative work beginning at the same level a person is already living or working in."



**Linda Spillane, Tour Guide, CR, PAO** — "I haven't, but my parents have. They wrote to Ralph Turlington, the head of the Board of Education for the State of Florida. No action was taken on that issue."



**Sp4 Mike O'Connor, Lab Technician, LAIR** — "I've never written, but I have gone to a congressman personally for assistance. I'm not sure the Congressman had any weight in that situation."

# TROOP TALK

Hi again, and welcome to another week of Troop Talk.....

The word for the week is smile. One smile could change the mood of the day, not only for you, but for your boss and co-worker. Gathering Troop Talk this week was difficult. Seems everyone is busy with visiting personnel or qualifying on the range.

USAG reports the following promotions: **Debra Majors, Lanette Taylor, Leon Weeks, Mariano Dizon, Sharon Burton, Steve Jones, David Nyemaster, and Lowell Beal** - all to the rank of E-5. Congratulations go out to all of them. Sp5 **John Mayfield**, a Chaplain's Assistant, was an honor grad of the Primary Leadership course completed recently at Ft. Ord.

**Readiness Rgn IX** sends congrats to **Clyde Walker** who was selected for SGM.

The 402nd MP Co. slaughtered the 170th MP Co. in softball this week. The score was 11 - zip. The winning team is coached by **SSG Raymond Beaugrand**. The winning pitcher was **Lt. Robert Reinke**. He pitched a two-hit shut-out.

**Lt. Catherine Bente**, and **SFC John Gabrielaitis** of the **163rd MP Co.** fired max scores on 45s at the firing range.

**MSG John Baker**, MP Br, DA visited the military police throughout the post this week. Many MPs stated the visit was a great morale booster.

At the 170th MP Co., SFC William Thomas assumed duties as 1SG.

The **51st Eng Det.** reports the arrival of **Pvt. Gene Field** from Ft. Leonard Wood. Gene will work as a plumber. **Sgt. Arturo Alcalen** departed for Germany.

That about wraps it up. Words of Wisdom: Never put off till tomorrow what you can do today. You may not have the chance again!

**P.S.** Sixth Rgn, CIDC reports that they are sad to see the departure of Maj. Thaddeus Duzenski. Thaddeus is off to Ft. Gordon. A promotion is being given to **Mrs. Joan Laroche**. She will go to work as an Accounting Technician at MISO. Also, A Happy Birthday to **Capt. Karen Kenyon**.

**Sgt. Maj. Bart Brown**, of DPTSEC is acting as Post Sergeant Major in the absence of retiring **CSM Hodges**. Bart's tour previous to the Presidio was with EUCOM HQS in Stuttgart, Germany.

# ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. I am a mother and dependent wife on the Presidio and I'm speaking for a couple of mothers on Pershing Drive. We're having big, big problems with the children on post going to school in the SF school system. They're fighting at the bus stop. The larger children are generally the ones trying to pick fights with the smaller children at the stop. Some of the mothers come out to try to keep their children from fighting. Others are not coming out, not doing anything about it and those are the main ones whose kids are involved in this. We really feel something needs to be done about this.

## Ruth Johnson

**A.** The Military Police have been aware of the existing problem for about one week. Since the notification, MP Patrols have been increased at the bus stops on Pershing Drive, often stopping to talk with the older children in an effort to alleviate the problem. As the number of complaints have dropped in the past week, I feel that our actions have been successful.

**Capt. James Isom**  
**Deputy Provost Marshal**

# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

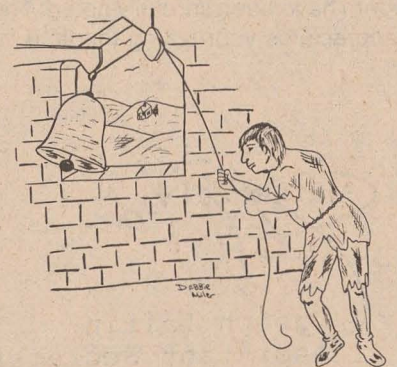
Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
| TIFFY  |  |  |  |  |  |
| AUNEPT |  |  |  |  |  |
| DERRY  |  |  |  |  |  |
| NOGELB |  |  |  |  |  |
| FORALL |  |  |  |  |  |

The kind of get-together the Hunchback of Notre Dame gave since he couldn't get fish.

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

**NOTE:** The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



Answer to last week's: PIRACY, FROLIC, CAS-  
KET, PISTOL, HINDER  
ANSWER: "LICK HIS CHOPS"

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# S.P.O.R.T.S

## Enjoying A Diet of Exercise

Story and photos by Ted Elisee

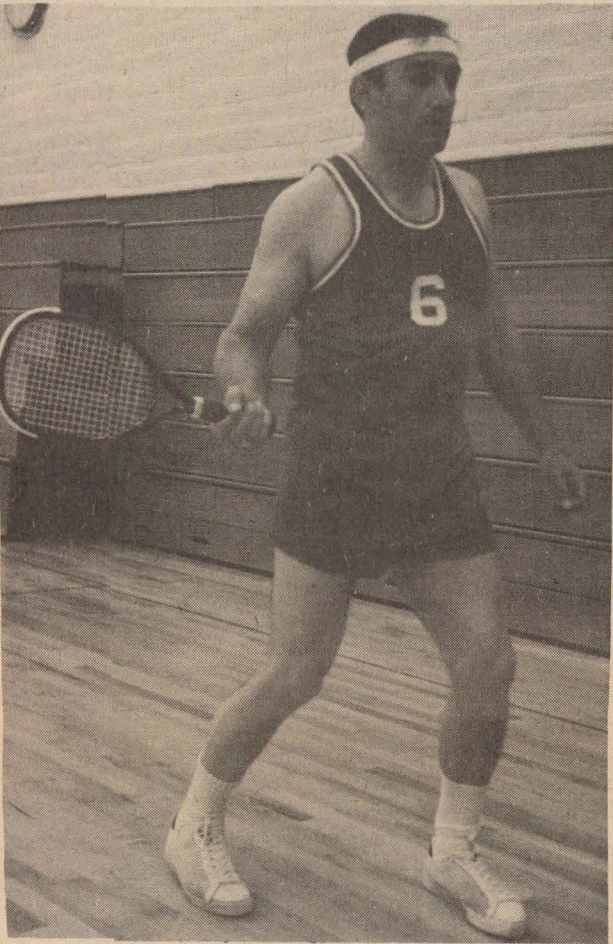
The "Out to Lunch" coverage this week brought this reporter to the Presidio Gym, again, and to the Letterman Pool.



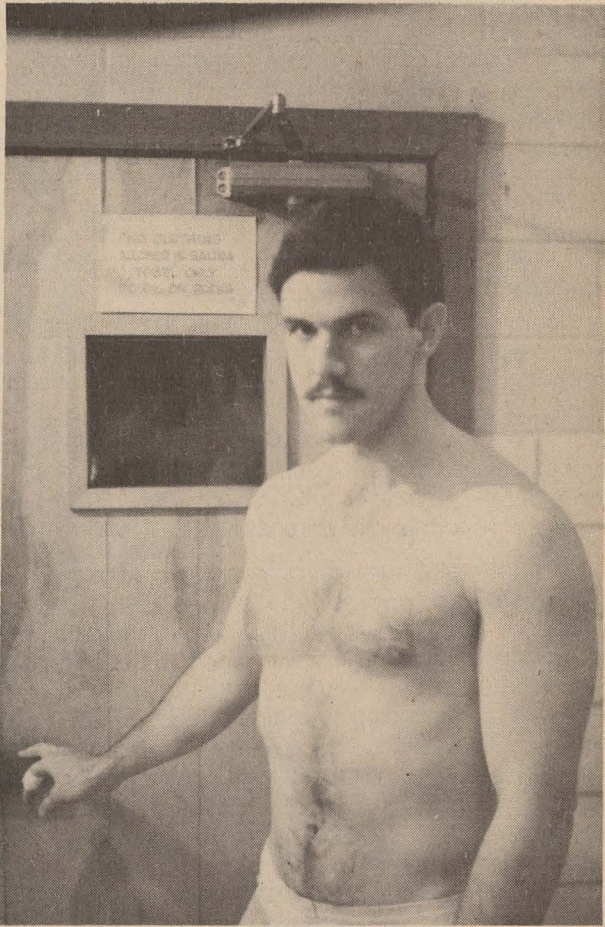
Jogging is great, but I find swimming is closer to my needs, says Grace.

My first interview was with **Grace Plummer** of LAIR. Said Grace, "About two years ago, I hurt my back lifting some heavy items. The doctor was quite concerned about the pains I was having and suggested that I try swimming. I go swimming almost everyday. It has strengthened my back muscles and gotten rid of a lot of my pain. I used to do a lot of other exercise; but I find swimming just as refreshing and helpful to me. My mind is a lot clearer when I exercise. Even the drudgery of shopping, planning a menu, and writing letters seem so easy to overcome now."

At the Post Gym, I spoke to **Gus Leon** of 6th Army HQS. Gus said, "I've been playing raquetball here for two years now. I try to play three times a week. It gives me satisfaction to know that I am exercising and staying in shape. I used to box, and this is a great way to continue to stay quick physically and mentally. You'd be surprised how great you feel taking out all of your anxiety by beating on a ball. I feel better because I work out and I never get a lazy or sluggish feeling." Last week, I covered the weightlifting program of **Larry Tate**, and **Jose Whitaker**. **Richard Fleming**, of LAIR, also can be seen working out on the weights. Rich has been working out for about five years. He used to play a lot of football too. Rich also uses the sauna when he completes his weightlifting ritual. Said Rich, "I've been using a sauna for four years. It makes me sweat, and opens my pores, my lungs and my sinuses. It really relaxes my muscles after a good hard work out. It relaxes me mentally too. I feel great when I come out and shower up."



Gus Leon demonstrates that concentration is vital in exercising a raquet ball movement.



The pause that refreshes. Rich Fleming prepares to work up a sweat in the sauna.

When I was about to leave the area, I was thinking how impressed I was with all the activities that the "Out to Lunch" people had to choose from. **Jim Hatten** commented to me last week that you get to meet a lot of people. That must be true, because **CSM Hodges** emerged from the sauna as I was leaving.

There is no doubt in my mind that exercise will improve a being both physically and mentally.

## SPORT SHORTS

by Ron Renouf

### Skeet Championships

Chuck Hennessy, one of our illustrious medical types here at the Presidio done himself proud last week — sho nuff.

Chuck took a little trip to San Antonio, TX to compete in the All Armed-Forces Skeet Championships. A D Class shooter, he splattered 463 out of 500 of them thar clay pigeons. That was good enough for a Second Place in both the 12 gauge and in the four gun competition — 410, 20, 16, and 12 gauge.

Chuck says that there were about a dozen shooters in his class and maybe 150 altogether.

He goes to the firing line again next month at Menlo Park in the Zone 7 matches June 14-18. Shooters from 11 Western States will be on hand for that one.

Have a good shoot.

### Bicycle Show

The post goes bike crazy the weekend of June 10-11, as the Recreation Center presents the 1978 10-speed bicycle show.

Activities schedule will feature a race, family bicycle ride, films, demonstrations on safety, touring, theft prevention and maintenance, and a barbecue.

A number of local bike shops will have displays set up at the recreation center both days and the center reminds all Presidians that 10-speeds are available for rental at the outdoor recreation branch for a very nominal fee.

More on complete schedule next week.

### Tennis

Talked to Presidio Assistant Sports Director Julian Kite this week and she tells me that the Presidio will host the 1978 FORSCOM Western Region Tennis Tournament June 19 - 23.

She is expecting some ten installations to be represented by between 70 and 90 players.

Look for some top flight tennis that week.

### Pool 2, Closed

Swimming freaks on post will now be forced to confine their wettishness to swimming pool #2 located in building 1151 on Gorgas Avenue as of tomorrow. Pool #2 in building 69 will be closed until further notice.

### Handball Tournament

The Post Handball Championship Tournament opens this week and participants have been divided into two divisions.

Handballers in both of the divisions will play a single round robin tourney within their division with the top two finishers meeting each other in a double elimination affair for the title.

### FORSCOM Tourney

In the FORSCOM Volleyball Tournament at Fort Lewis, the Presidio has managed to put together a victory over Fort Riley, 15-9, 15-7 and 15-8 while losing to Fort Carson, Alaska, and Fort Ord.

### Bowling Standings

| Presidio League | WON | LOST |
|-----------------|-----|------|
| USACC           | 84½ | 27½  |
| Reg. IX         | 76½ | 35½  |
| LAMC #1         | 76  | 36   |
| Spt. Elm. #1    | 72  | 40   |
| LAIR #1         | 71  | 41   |
| USASSG          | 52  | 60   |
| 51st Engr       | 42  | 70   |
| 93d MI Bn       | 40  | 72   |
| Courier Sta     | 35  | 77   |

| Ft. Scott League | WON | LOST |
|------------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2     | 89  | 23   |
| SFFO CID         | 81  | 31   |
| 93d MI Bn        | 79½ | 32½  |
| USAG #2          | 69  | 43   |
| LAMC #2          | 62½ | 49½  |
| LAIR #2          | 51  | 61   |
| 87th Ord         | 46  | 66   |
| SIGSEC           | 37½ | 74½  |
| 16th AG          | 30½ | 81½  |
| 504th MP Bn      | 29  | 83   |

### Softball Standings

| San Francisco League | W | L |
|----------------------|---|---|
| FBI                  | 5 | 0 |
| LAIR#1               | 4 | 1 |
| LAMC #2              | 4 | 1 |
| DENTAC               | 2 | 2 |
| 666th Rad Sqd        | 2 | 3 |
| US Attorneys         | 2 | 3 |
| LAIR #2              | 1 | 3 |
| LAMC #1              | 0 | 4 |
| USPHS                | 0 | 4 |

| Presidio League | W | L |
|-----------------|---|---|
| ARR IX          | 4 | 0 |
| HHC 504th       | 3 | 0 |
| 402d            | 3 | 0 |
| 93d MI          | 3 | 1 |
| USAG            | 2 | 2 |
| USACC           | 2 | 2 |
| 864th           | 1 | 3 |
| 170th           | 0 | 3 |
| WRRC            | 0 | 3 |
| 16th AG         | 0 | 4 |



# Crime Scene

Crimes against property are on the rise on the Presidio. Statistics show there was a three percent increase in the number of thefts in April over March. Of the 34 crimes in this category committed last month, six were cases of shoplifting. Among those under investigation for that offense are two soldiers and two dependents.

Ten larcenies were reported at Letterman, ranging from three unsecured wallets to two bicycles to a government color TV. More than three thousand dollars in property was stolen from the government and almost that much private property.

One type of crime that is expected to rise over the summer months is that of bicycle theft. Bike riders can do something to avoid being ripped off. First, register your bike with the Military Police at the Registration Office in Bldg. 36. In just a few minutes they can automatically register your bicycle with the Department of Motor Vehicles in California and thus greatly increase your chances of recovering it if stolen.

Second, make sure you secure your cycle, when not in use, to a fixed object with a hardened chain. Take care to run the chain through the frame rather than the wheels, and lock it with a good steel padlock.

Recreation Services is sponsoring a bike program with a race, displays, and special safety and security presentations on the weekend of June 10-11. The Military Police will have a registration booth at the site. You're urged to come out and learn more about bicycling, and how to prevent bike rip-offs.



Karen Sowell, a junior at George Washington High School, listens as Presidio Commander Col. John D. Hamilton, Sr. briefs her on her duties as honorary Post Commander for a Day. Karen was among 60 local high school students selected to participate in the San Fran-

cisco Junior Chamber of Commerce's annual "Youth in Government Day" last Monday. Following their 'duty' with local officials, the students were honored with a luncheon at the Presidio Officers' Club. (U.S. Army Photo by Joseph Marzette)

## ... News Break ...

### Flea Market T.I.

It's Flea Market time at Treasure Island. The first Saturday of every month, beginning June 3, sellers and buyers will be able to participate in the market. For the fee of three dollars, any seller can set up his display at 13th St., and H Ave. Buyers will be admitted free. There will be plenty of room to set up a display, so reservations will not be necessary. For further info contact PN1 Castle - 765-5279.

### Cannery Theater Discount

The Cannery Theater is offering a \$2.00 discount to all military, and civilian personnel of the PSF. Persons who wish to see the hit play "STREAMERS" should stop by the Rec. Center Bldg. #135 daily after 2 p.m. and pick up their tickets.

The Rec. Center has purchased 35 choice Box Seats, at 1/2 the normal price for the 20th of June, when the Cinn. "REDS" meet the S.F. "GIANTS" at Candlestick Park, S.F. So come up to the Rec. Center Bldg. #135 and get your tickets, before we sell out. Ext. 561-2000/5420.

### Ed Center Offers Tests

Do you have knowledge about auto maintenance through self study or on the job training? If so, you might be able to qualify for college credit for this knowledge by passing a Subject Standardized Test in Auto Maintenance. Dozens of active duty military personnel have already done so without cost. If auto maintenance is not your area of expertise, perhaps you have creditable knowledge in carpentry, electricity, electrical measuring instruments or technical writing. Tests are available in these areas also.

The Defense Activity for Non-Traditional Education Support (DANTES) offers over seventy-five test options in vocational and academic subject areas. Some academic tests available are: Introduction to Law Enforcement, Criminology, Principles of Management, Introduction to Data Processing, Introduction to Business, and Personnel Management. Passing these tests can give you a substantial amount of college credit toward an associate or baccalaureate degree. This means a savings to you in terms of time, money and energy. These tests also give promotion points.

For more information about the tests, call or visit an Education Center counselor at either Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216, ext 2974/4445, or the Letterman Education Center, Bldg 1007, ext 4030/3693. Both centers are open from 7:30 a.m. to 4:15 p.m., Monday through Friday. Do yourself a favor, take advantage of the knowledge you already have!

### Band Plays The Palace

The Sixth U.S. Army Band will perform a free concert on Wednesday, June 7, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco.

A special musical program will feature several military marches and jazz medleys, to be played by the 45-member Concert Band, the nine-member Dixieland Jazz Band and the 15-person Big Band Jazz. Selections include "The Light Cavalry Overture," the "Colonel Bogey March," the "Theme from Patton," "Glenn Miller in Concert," "Basin Street Blues," "A Summer Wind," "Moonlight Serenade," and "Misty."

The public is invited to attend.

### LADYCOM Offers Trip

LADYCOM, the magazine distributed to 400,000 military wives, is still looking for a military family who is interested in taking a rafting trip (all expenses paid) on the Salmon River in Idaho, this summer from June 24 to June 30.

They are looking for a military couple and their child (between the ages of 9 - 16) to accompany a LADYCOM staff member and a special photographer on the trip.

If you are interested in taking the trip, please send your name, address, phone number and ages of your family, along with a snapshot of those interested in taking the trip by June 10, 1978, to: LADYCOM, 1800 M Street NW, Suite 650 South, Washington, DC 20036.

### Summer Safety

Memorial Day signals the start of the vacation season. It should also signal a time to think about the hazards that summer vacation, sun, water, and highway travel present.

**SUN** — Sunburn can ruin the day and cause serious injury. Limit the exposure, and use "sunscreening" type of suntan lotions and oils before, during, and after exposure.

**SWIMMING** — Every member of the family should know how to swim. For those who do not, now is the time to have them participate in a swimming class or at least a "drown proofing" lesson. Contact the local chapter of the American Red Cross for information on how to enroll.

**TRAVELING** — Have the car properly serviced and familiarize yourself with the route before beginning your trip. Plan your travel during off-peak periods. Allow ample time, make frequent rest stops to avoid fatigue, and watch out for the other guy.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, May 26, Orca (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 27, Gray Eagle (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, May 28, Gray Lady Down (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, May 29, Gray Lady Down (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 30, Bad Georgia Road (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 31, The White Buffalo (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 1, The Other Side of the Mountain Part 2 (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, May 26, I Never Promised You a Rose Garden (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, May 29, High Anxiety (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 30, Beyond the Door (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, May 31, The Pink Panther Strikes Again (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 1, Orca (PG), 7 p.m.

OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, May 26, King Kong (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 27, High Anxiety (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, May 29, Gray Eagle (PG), 7 p.m.

### GRAY EAGLE (PG)

This is the story of the abduction of a young white woman (Lana Wood) by Gray Eagle, a Cherokee warrior. Her father (Ben Johnson) and his Indian friend, Iron Eyes Cody, try to find her. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### THE WHITE BUFFALO

(PG) Wild Bill Hickok (Charles Bronson) and Chief Crazy Horse (Will Sampson) hunt a fierce albino bison. Which of the two great wild west heroes will conquer and win the rare white pelt? Some material may not be suitable for children.

### THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN, PART 2 (PG)

A continuation of the true-life story of Jill Kimmont, the promising young skier who had to build a new life for herself as a teacher after a skiing accident doomed her to a wheelchair for the rest of her life. Part 2 is a love story in which she is reluctant to let a summer romance deepen into a permanent relationship. Some material may not be suitable for children.



### GRAY LADY DOWN (PG)

Sixty miles offshore, a nuclear submarine collides with a radar-less freighter. Charlton Heston and some of the personnel know they have only 48 hours of oxygen. Navy rescuers Stacy Keach and David Carradine work frantically to save them. Some material may not be suitable for children.

### BAD GEORGIA ROAD (R)

When socialite Carol Lynley goes to the deep South to accept an inheritance, she finds it is actually a moonshine operation. She runs into trouble with other moonshiners, a revenue agent and the Syndicate.



by Ted Elisee

## Army Aims To Reduce PCS Hassle

If you've ever PCSed you know what a hassle it can be. Department of the Army has recognized the problems associated with PCS and has issued new assignment procedures designed to reduce confusion and anxiety over frequent PCSs, hoping to provide the soldier with greater tour stability, and reduce the cost of a PCS move.

Some of the new policies may go towards making an Army career more attractive. For example, a soldier will not receive a PCS assignment within CONUS just because he/she has been at a post for a long time.

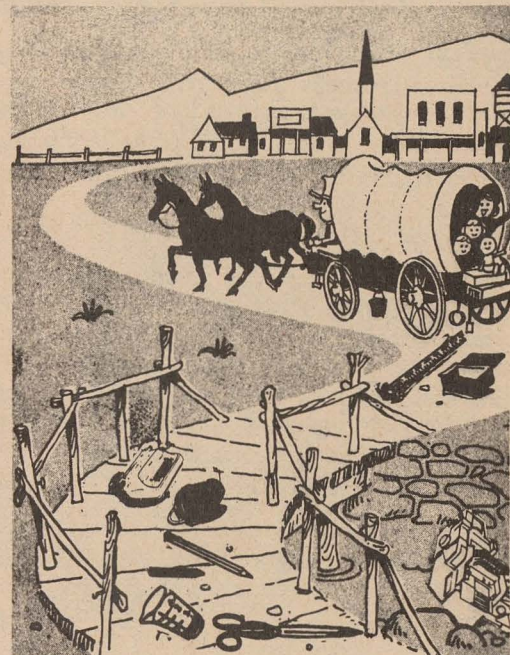
In the past, soldiers have been sent overseas without enough time left in service to complete a tour. DA will now try to screen personnel rosters and try to assign only those soldiers who have enough time to complete a tour. Also, overseas extensions will be encouraged to keep down rotation requirements and costs for PCS moves.

In addition, another related policy has been adopted for first-termers with three years or less to serve. These soldiers will only receive one assignment after AIT, except for those soldiers who have been selected to go on a short tour (for example, Korea). A second tour will be given after the completion of the short tour.

For those soldiers, first term or otherwise, who receive a short tour assignment, DA will try to let the soldier know where he is going to be assigned after his short tour is completed.

Insofar as possible, CONUS assignments will now be three years in length, but a soldier may still come down on an overseas levy when a need for a particular soldier's skills exist.

However, in the case where an individual is declared excess at a particular installation, the individual will be reassigned at the same installation in his secondary MOS, or another suitable one, or, if possible, to the nearest installation capable of using their skills.



Other guidelines are in effect, too. For example, Hawaii is now considered a CONUS tour. For further info on DA's new assignment policy, consult the Army Personnel Letter for March 1978.

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## Wheelin' 'N Dealin'

by Diane Newcomb  
Budget Counselor, ACS

When you do any type of shopping, the best idea is to 'shop around' — check out what is available to you at the best possible price before you buy. This is one way to insure you get the most for your money. Shopping around is certainly the best idea when looking for a second-hand car.

Wise money managers know that the large depreciation on the first two years of a car's life will knock a considerable amount off the price of a second hand auto. As the buyer, you must take care, however, that you don't buy someone else's problem. Here are a few tests you can use when used-car shopping to help ensure a "lemon" doesn't get passed along to you.

### What to check at the Used Car Lot

1. Is the car newly painted? Be suspicious. What does the paint hide? Look closely at rippled or grainy patches. Perhaps the car has been in an accident.
2. If there are rust spots, probe with your finger to see if it's only on the surface or working through from beneath. Don't buy any car that is excessively rusty.
3. Hop up and down on a bumper. Then jump off. If the body oscillates more than once, the shock absorbers will need replacement soon.
4. Have the salesman drive the car slowly away from you. If the rear wheels don't line up with the front ones, the frame is bent and you should not buy the car.
5. Grab a front wheel at the top and give it a good shake. Does it make a clunking sound? Is it unexpectedly loose? Wheel bearings and ball joints may need replacement.
6. Try all switches, controls, door handles, window cranks, vents and seat adjustments. Repairing these minor items can add up to big costs for you.
7. Press the brake pedal down hard. If it continues to sink instead of stopping, there is a leak — probably in the master cylinder.
8. Start the engine with the hood open and listen for unusual hissing, squealing, grinding or grating noises. Even if the engine looks new, it might not be. Most dealers steam clean or even re-paint the engine. Check for leaks in the radiator and connecting hoses.

make sure there IS oil, as some car dealers (to avoid the smoking) drain the crankcase and give a fast demonstration of the engine.

### What to check on your Test Drive

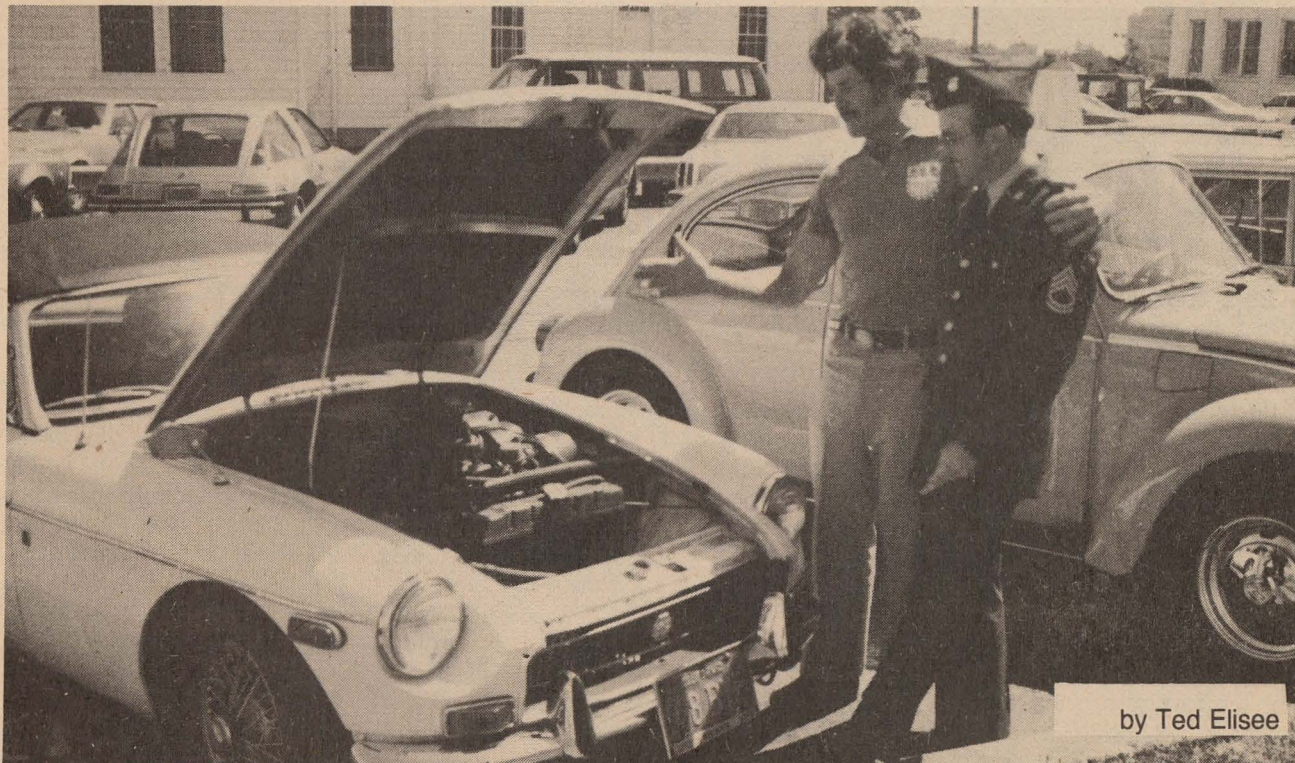
1. Don't commit yourself before you test drive the car.
2. Again, listen for odd noises. Go forward and backward several times from a full stop to ensure that the transmission works smoothly.
3. Accelerate rapidly from 20 to 50 per hour. You can be sure the engine is in fair shape if the car gains speed smoothly without sputtering.
4. At 50 mph, brake hard. Brakes should hold equally on all four wheels without grabbing and without causing the car to pull to one side or the other.
5. Check for looseness in the steering mechanism.

6. Take the car to a diagnostic center or garage for an impartial appraisal. This may cost you from \$5 to \$20, but it's well worth it when you consider the cost of repairs you may find you have to make later.

### Financing

1. Check the car dealer's interest rates against those at your Presidio Credit Union. You may save hundreds of dollars in interest charges.
2. Check Army Community Service, Bldg. 214, for the latest news on which make of car is the best buy, which models have the best repair records, ways to save money on car insurance, or to borrow the latest issue of consumer publications which suggest what to look for.

Phone 5057/5155 for an appointment for financial advice.



by Ted Elisee

Brian Marrin lays a hard used car sales pitch on SFC Doug Palmer.

9. Race the engine and have a friend check the exhaust. Blue smoke means burning oil. Check and



# Leave the Driving

"Hey, ya crazy fishhead! Where'd ya get ya driver's license? From a Cracker Jack box??? Some people.... I'm never going to get to work on time...Fool! 7:15 a.m. ain't the time to snap photos of Alcatraz off the Bridge! Sightseers...They're an accident looking for a place to happen..."

This kind of worry get you down every morning? Hate that boring ride, alone, to work? Hate the cost of gasoline, maintaining your car and parking? Are those psychiatric bills from the frustration you build up every morning and afternoon during your commute getting to you? Well, before you pull your hair out, there is an alternative.

Van Pooling can take away some of that hassle. If you commute to the Presidio from San Rafael, Novato or Petaluma, there is already one started: the Golden Gate Van Pool.



When you begin van pooling, you agree to ride by the month only. The cost is determined by the distance you have to travel. For example, if you live in San Rafael the estimated cost of van pooling is \$33 to \$40 (Determined by number of passengers in van). This is an estimated savings of \$102 per month.

Van poolers are under **no** obligation to continue with the service, so if you're not happy with the arrangement, you can quit.

Several advantages of van pooling over car commuting are: the van pool is more economical, personalized, door to door service, comfortable, faster, energy efficient and environmentally beneficial (not as many carbon monoxide fumes are released).

Interested people from San Rafael should contact John Butler, 561-4974; from Novato, contact Larry Gallagher, 561-3404; and from Petaluma, contact B. Barrett, 561-5875.

Anyone wishing to start a van pool or needing any other information should call Golden Gate Van Pool, 457-3110.

# TROOP TALK

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk — Noticed many military families vacationing over the three-day weekend, especially in Central Nevada and at Lake Tahoe. A great money saver publication that you could get at Army Community Services is the "Military Travel Guide" — For Every Service Family's Glove Compartment. This book gives a list of hotels and motels all over the United States that provide military discounts. Also the book contains a list of guest house facilities available on military bases. The guide was a great help to me during my travels through California and Nevada.

The word for the week is caution. Deaths on California highways are on the rise this year. In Marin County alone, the rate has already reached last year's "total number" of deaths on the highway.

New arrivals for the 170th MP Co. are SSgt. Preston Glover from Korea, and PFC William Wentland from Ft. McClellan.

16th AG Postal reports that SSgt. Willie Thomas will be PCSing for the Middle East. Lt. James Carroll was the honor grad from his CBR course at Ft. Lewis. E-4 promotions have been given to: Albert Arroyo,

Dorrance Clark, Danny Robbins, and James Song of D Co. 864th Engrs Bn. Congrats!

SSgt. Juan Fernandez, SSgt. Carl Dickerson, Sp4 Hector Reyes, and Sp4 Jane Davis back-packed 30 miles through Yosemite Park over the weekend. They are with the HHD, 504th MP Bn. Newly arrived is Sp4 Leonito Ravago from Germany.

Sp4 Franklin Raphael graduated from the Automotive Maintenance Mechanics Course at Ft. Lewis. The 51st Engr. Det. is especially proud of this accomplishment.

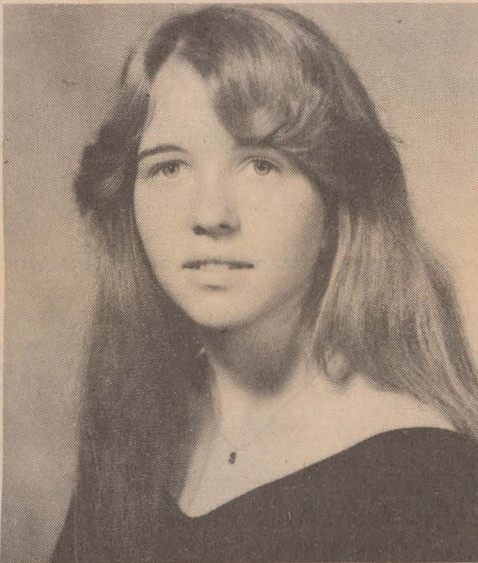
HQs Sixth Rgn CIDC presented CW2 Gary Anderson with an ARCOM. Mr. Anderson received the award from his previous command in Washington, D.C.

Well, that about wraps it up for another week. Words of Wisdom: A person progresses only as fast as he gains knowledge. Talk to you next week.

P.S. Mr. Lynn Ligon of our PAO has been promoted to Major in the Air Force Reserve.



## PSF Spotlight



On May 25, Sandra J. Hannan was presented with a scholarship check for \$350.00 by the Enlisted Wives' Club, in a ceremony held at the Recreation Center on the Presidio.

Sandra, the daughter of Sgt. Maj. and Mrs. Earl H. Hannan, is attending George Washington High School, San Francisco, where she is currently maintaining a 4.0 grade average. In September, she will join her two brothers, Steven and Stuart, at Ohio State University in Columbus, Ohio, where she plans to pursue a double major in Home Economics and Child Psychology.

## SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



The only time a child is as good as gold.



TIME

Answers to last week's: FIFTY, PEANUT, DRYER, BELONG, FLORAL  
ANSWER: "BELFRY" PARTY

# ACTION L-I-N-E

Got a question, gripe or suggestion that can't be solved through the chain-of-command? Call our 24-hour Action Line phone at ext. 5463.

**Q. I'd like to know why the Bowling Alley can't be open later than 9 p.m. on Monday nights. The early closing time takes away from bowler's practice time. Also, why isn't the Fort Scott Snack Bar open so soldiers here won't have to go down to Main Post or downtown if they're hungry?**

**Name Withheld**

**A.** Unfortunately, Army bowling centers, by regulation, are required to be self-supporting. In addition, they must provide funds in support of other recreation programs. In other words, they must make a profit like any business downtown.

In the past, we have found that the bowling center continually operated at a loss on Monday

nights. In consideration of Ft. Scott personnel, we decided to keep it open on Mondays anyway, but to close up two hours earlier. We also raised snack bar prices slightly to compensate for Monday losses.

We are now, however, going to extend bowling alley and snack bar hours on Monday nights to 11 p.m. because of the beginning of softball season. We thus expect to accommodate service members playing at Ft. Scott Field when their games last past 9 p.m.

Though this will solve the problem during the summer, in order to keep bowling center hours permanently extended we'll have to get more interest on Mondays. The income there must exceed expenses, or we won't be able to keep it open late.

**Capt. Henry T. Smith**  
Recreation Services Officer

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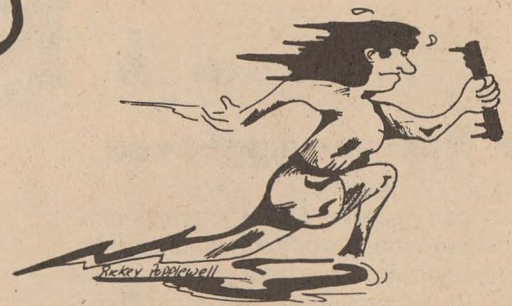
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# Sports Highlights

Next week is **SPEED WEEK** — 10-speed bicycle week that is. At least here at the Presidio Saturday and Sunday, June 10-11.

The action starts Saturday at 10 a.m. with the Presidio Bicycle Championship Races scheduled for both military personnel and their families.

**Colonel Holihen** from DPTSEC will officially open the 1978 Presidio 10-Speed Bike Show by starting the racers on the course. Other activities will include bicycle displays from local dealers, films, a Sunday afternoon family bicycle ride and presentations on safety, touring, theft prevention, and bicycle maintenance, courtesy of the San Francisco Police Department, a local bike club, and the Presidio White Hats.

The activities will end Sunday evening with a barbecue, and films of bicycle races.

The Outdoor Recreation Center has 10-speed rentals available at a very nominal fee.



The 1978 FORSCOM Western Region Tennis Tournament for both men and women is being hosted at the Presidio June 19-22.

Installations indicating that they will field a full team are Fort Hood, Fort Carson, Fort Sam Houston, Fort Lewis, Fort Ord, Hawaii, Alaska, and St. Louis Support Center. Fort Riley, Dugway Proving Ground and the Presidio will field partial teams.

To be considered "full", a team must have four entries in the open division, two in the junior vets class, two seniors and two women.

Participants in the Post Tennis Tourney looking for a spot on the Presidio Team in the FORSCOM Championships later this month are **Tom Egan** from LAMC who won the Junior Vet Title, and the winner of the upcoming battle between **Paul Gagon** and **Richard Pasalich** in the Open Division.

Wots a Wuk Folks.



The Post Handball Championships got under way this week with entries divided into two divisions playing a single round robin schedule.

The top two finishers in each division will meet in a double elimination playoff for the post championship.

Sky Divers and Little Leaguer will link up tomorrow at noon for the opening of the 1978 Presidio Youth Baseball season at Pop Hicks Field.

That's right folks — you heard it — **SKYDIVERS**.

The Presidio's own **Bruce Wicks** will join his jumping buddy **Allen Silver** when they hit the silk from 10,000 feet up and hopefully land in Pop Hicks Field as part of the opening ceremony.

They'll be tossing a baseball around on the way down and then hand it over to Post Commander, **Colonel John D. Hamilton**, who will then throw out the ceremonial first pitch to open the season.

Sorry about no Post Softball scores or league standings this week.

My reliable sources at the Fort Scott Gym were not this week and we don't have them.

Hope that next week they remember to get the books for us.

## ... Cafe Coronaries ...

Who thinks about choking to death while eating? Maybe nobody, but every year thousands of people become victims of what are sometimes called "cafe coronaries."

A cafe coronary occurs when a large piece of food (or other substance) blocks the windpipe. Unlike a heart attack—during which the victim can usually speak or cough—a choking victim cannot breathe, cough or talk. He slowly turns blue, loses consciousness and is dead within minutes.

When such an incident occurs, you should immediately remove the obstruction from the victim's windpipe.

**ABDOMINAL THRUST** — If the victim is in a standing position, stand behind and wrap your arms around his waist, allowing his head, arms and upper torso to hang forward. Place the thumb side of your fist against the victim's abdomen, slightly above the navel and below the rib cage. Grasp your fist with your other hand and press it into the victim's abdomen with a quick upward thrust. Repeat several times if necessary.

If the victim is lying down, place him on his back and kneel close to the side of the body. Place one of your hands on top of the other with the heel of the bottom hand in the middle of the abdomen, slightly above the navel and below the rib cage. Rock forward so that your shoulders are directly over the victim's abdomen

and press with a quick upward thrust. **Do not press to either side.** Repeat if necessary.

**BACK BLOWS** — The blows may be administered with the victim in a sitting, standing or lying position. Four blows should be applied quickly, forcefully and in rapid succession between the shoulder blades.

**MANUAL REMOVAL** — Open the victim's mouth with one hand, insert the index finger of your other hand deeply into the throat to the base of the tongue. Then use a hooking action to dislodge the foreign body and maneuver it into the mouth so it can be removed. Sometimes it is necessary to use the index finger to push the foreign body against the opposite side of the throat to dislodge and lift it.

Apply artificial respiration if the victim still has trouble breathing after the blockage is removed and be sure to get the victim to medical help.

If you should choke while alone, use the same techniques on yourself. A sharp blow just below the diaphragm administered by the fist or by falling over a table or sink could save your life.

If you choke, **don't leave the group you're with.** Many people run away embarrassed. The first thing to do is to get someone's attention and place your hand around your throat to indicate you are choking.

Quick reaction on the part of a person with a knowledge of the above techniques could prevent death ... because cafe coronaries are deadly.

## Off The Field

by Ron Renouf

Two months ago, we talked about the plans for the youth baseball program this year. We also said that Frank Castro lives in a tree.

You still live in a tree, Frank, but not as tall a tree as you used to.

From all appearances, this year's program may well be the most successful in anyone's memory at the Presidio. At least from the standpoint of the number of players involved.

Would you believe — 16 teams??????? That has to be some sort of a record. An excellent recruiting job to say the least.

However, to recruit anyone to anything, there must be a program to recruit into. And we think that Frank has come up with a winner.

This year's youngest league, the eight to ten year olds, will have their own league of six teams. A total of five teams will make up the 11-12 year old program. The Presidio will field one team in the 13-14 and the 15-16 age leagues, and will also have three teams participating in a coed softball program for youngsters from 13 to 16.

A couple of firsts mark the program this year. The coed softball program in one. According to Frank, "Since boys like girls so much, I thought that we should give them something to do together that would keep them out of trouble."

The biggest innovation, however, comes in the youngest age league. The eight to ten bunch will be playing under a set of rules never heard of anywhere.

Ready for this? The pitching will be done by adult coaches. There will be no walks. The budding young ballplayer will strike out or clobber that ol tomato, one or the other.

After giving this development some thought, it makes sense. The benefits are obvious. One of the side bennies is that it speeds up an otherwise long, drawn out contest.

But the biggest bennie, (and this is two-fold) is for the players themselves. The arms of would-be-at-sometime in the future pitchers are protected and the players are taught to hit. And let's face it — this is meant to be an instructional league.

We think it has all of the earmarks of being a winner.

Now Frank, come up with the full bleachers you promised us, and we'll admit that you walk on the ground instead of hang from a tree.

## Fresh Fish

Looking for some good trout fishing? Here's where they (Department of Fish and Game) were supposed to be stocking this week if everything went right, they weren't too tired or suffering from super bad hangovers.

- Alameda County — Lake Chabot, Alameda Creek, Arroyo del Valle Reservoir
- Contra Costa County — San Pablo Reservoir
- Lake County — Lake Pillsbury, Upper Blue Lake
- Marin County — Stafford Lake, Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir
- Mendocino County — Cleone Lake, West Branch Russian River
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced
- Santa Clara County — Lexington Reservoir
- Santa Cruz County — Loch Lomond Reservoir



# ... News Break ...

## ADAP Waivers Approved

Commanders may approve waiver requests dealing with extending enlistments or for immediate reenlistment for personnel who have been enrolled in the alcohol and drug abuse prevention and control program (ADAPCP).

Personnel also may be extended for a period that will allow them to complete one year of service after successful completion of the active rehabilitation phase of ADAPCP.

If personnel have successfully completed the follow-up rehabilitation phase of ADAPCP, and one year or longer has elapsed since completion of the active rehabilitation phase, may be reenlisted if otherwise qualified and recommended waiver is approved. Waivers are not required for persons who voluntarily (not command referred) enroll and successfully complete the active phase of ADAPCP, providing they are otherwise qualified and six months has elapsed since completion of the active phase.

## Red Cross Training

The Red Cross at Letterman Army Medical Center will be conducting training for Red Cross Youth Volunteers to work there this summer. If you are between 15 and 18 years old and interested in volunteering, please call the Red Cross office at 561-2187.

All volunteers must attend training which will be scheduled during the week of June 19 through June 23 in order to prepare for summer work on the hospital wards.

## Leave Information

Do you know the ABC's of annual, advance and convalescent leave?

You're entitled to 30 days annual or ordinary leave per year. Annual leave provides the opportunity to put the mission aside and go camping, visit relatives or whatever else you want to do.

Advance leave allows soldiers with limited annual leave to get extra leave for emergencies. It must be paid back as you earn annual leave. You are limited to 45-days of advance leave.

Convalescent leave is granted when you're under medical care and unable to return to work. It is not chargeable to annual leave.

Now that you know about your leave, earn it, and use it wisely. (FORSCOM)

## Free Concert

The Sixth U.S. Army Band will perform a free concert on Wednesday, June 7, 1978, at 7:30 p.m. at the Palace of Fine Arts in San Francisco.

A special musical program will feature several military marches and jazz medleys, to be played by the 45-member Concert Band, the nine-member Dixieland Jazz Band and the 15-person Big Band Jazz. Selections include "The Light Cavalry Overture," the "Colonel Bogey March," the "Theme from Patton," "Glenn Miller in Concert," "Basin Street Blues," "A Summer Wind," "Moonlight Serenade," and "Misty."

The public is invited to attend.

## Red Cross Volunteers

The local Red Cross chapter is making a special appeal for volunteers from the Presidio. Both experienced Red Crossers and new volunteers are needed for a variety of placements.

If you've ever worked as a volunteer in a Field Director's office or with a local Service to Military Families and Veterans Red Cross office, then your skills and experience are needed at chapter headquarters, 1550 Sutter St.

Please contact the Office of Volunteers, 776-1500, ext. 275, for details.

## USO Happenings

Summer activities at San Francisco USO include horseback riding in Golden Gate Park, scheduled for Saturday, June 17; and an old fashioned picnic on Angel Island to be held on Sunday, June 25, with the group leaving USO at noon. If interested in any or all of the events, phone San Francisco USO, 776-3100, for reservations.

In addition to all USO's regular information and referral services, free and discount tickets to movies, plays, sports events, and all types of sightseeing aids, there will be many in-center activities. These include rap sessions every Monday evening, game nights with junior volunteers on Thursdays, disco dances every Friday and Saturday night, and free chess lessons on Saturdays at 2 p.m.

Young single women volunteers are needed at San Francisco USO to attend disco dances for visiting U.S. and foreign ships in June. If interested, call San Francisco USO, 776-3100, for further information.

## Ramblin' Sam



**Do you feel that adopted children should eventually be told who their real parents are?**

**Col. Ben Walton, DCDR South, Readiness Rgn IX** — "There has to be a balance when considering this question. Perhaps more can be lost or gained by a child having knowledge of the real parents in this situation. All aspects have to be considered concerning the child's personality. A child may have a true desire to know his heritage or roots, but before this information is provided, one should consider how the child, the adoptive parents and the real parents will be affected psychologically."



**Lt. Kyra Gordonev, Opns Officer, HQ Commandant** — "Yes, the child has the right to know. It's just like being denied credit. You have the right to find out why you have been denied credit, so why not have the right to know about who you are and where you come from?"

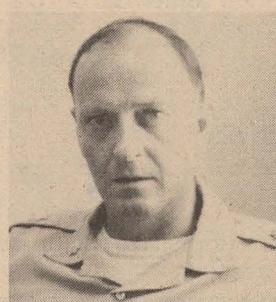


**Mrs. Peggy McWilliams, Accounting Technician, Finance and Accounting** — "Yes, I do. We all want a sense of security and roots. A child will want to pass on his own heritage to his own children in the future."



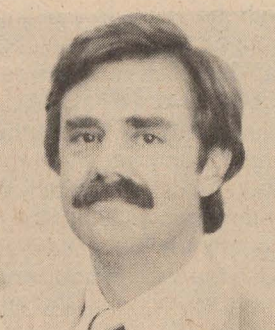
**SFC Frank King, Senior Enlisted Advisor, Readiness Rgn IX** — "It has to be on a case by case basis. If the child needs the info to make his life full and secure, then by all means tell him."

**Mrs. Dee Helm, Secretary, CPO** — "Yes, I do. I have an adopted son, and I didn't want anyone else to tell him about his adoption, except myself. I feel that when the child is mature enough, he or she should be told by the adoptive parents who the real parents are. This information should not come from an outside source."



**LTC Raydean Patterson, Inspector, Sixth Army, IG** — "Yes, but it should be the responsibility of the adoptive parents to release this info. I feel the child should grow into maturity first, and then if the child feels the need to know, release the information."

**Mr. Kurt Engelhart, Computer Specialist, MISO** — "I think that an adopted child's parents are those that adopted him. When a child is older it might help him to be more stable by knowing his real parents, but his allegiance should remain with the adoptive parents."



**Capt. Sundra Boyd, Admin Officer, HQ Commandant** — "Yes, everyone should know who their real parents are, for personal satisfaction, genealogy and general peace of mind."

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, June 2, The Other Side of the Mountain, Part 2 (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, June 3, Snoopy, Come Home (G), 2 p.m.**  
**Saturday, June 3, People That Time Forgot (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Sunday, June 4, American Hot Wax (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 5, American Hot Wax (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, June 6, MacArthur (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, June 7, Convoy Buddies (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, June 8, Enter the Dragon, Enter the Tiger (R), 7 p.m.**

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**  
**Friday, June 2, Gray Eagle (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 5, Gray Lady Down (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, June 6, Bad Georgia Road (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, June 7, The White Buffalo (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, June 8, The Other Side of the Mountain, Part 2 (PG), 7 p.m.**

**OAKLAND ARMY BASE**  
**Friday, June 2, Bad Georgia Road (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, June 3, Gray Lady Down (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, June 5, The Other Side of the Mountain, Part 2 (PG), 7 p.m.**

**GRAY EAGLE (PG)** This is the story of the abduction of a young white woman (Lana Wood) by Gray Eagle, a Cherokee warrior. Her father (Ben Johnson) and his Indian friend, Iron Eyes Cody, try to find her. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**GRAY LADY DOWN (PG)** Sixty miles offshore, a nuclear submarine collides with a radar-less freighter. Charlton Heston and some of the personnel know they have only 48 hours of oxygen. Navy rescuers Stacy Keach and David Carradine work frantically to save them. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**BAD GEORGIA ROAD (R)** When socialite Carol Lynley goes to the deep South to accept an inheritance, she finds it is actually a moonshine operation. She runs into trouble with other moonshiners, a revenue agent and the Syndicate.



**THE OTHER SIDE OF THE MOUNTAIN, PART 2 (PG)** A continuation of the true-life story of Jill Kinmont, the promising young skier who had to build a new life for herself as a teacher after a skiing accident doomed her to a wheelchair for the rest of her life. Part 2 is a love story in which she is reluctant to let a summer romance deepen into a permanent relationship. Some material may not be suitable for children.



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## Happy Birthday

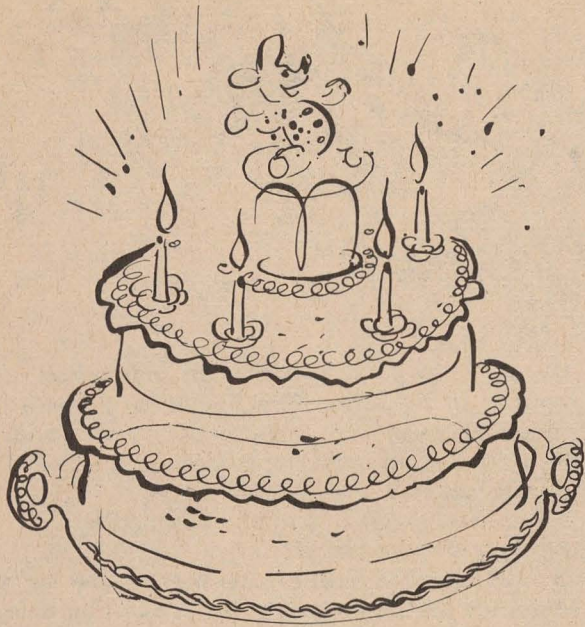
by Rebecca Hall

"Why should men such as you, able to master the complex arts of science, mathematics, language, economy, and all the rest, devote their lives to a military career, with all of its risks and hardships? Why should their families be expected to make the personal and financial sacrifices that a military career inevitably brings with it.

"When there is a visible enemy to fight in open combat, the answer is not so difficult. Many serve — all applaud — and the tide of patriotism runs high. But when there is a long, slow struggle, with no immediate visible foe, your choice will seem hard indeed...

"But you have one satisfaction, however difficult those days may be: when you are asked, by a President of the United States or by any other American, what are you doing for your country, no man's answer will be clearer than your own."

John F. Kennedy said these words on June 6, 1962, at the United States Military Academy. The words rang true then and do today.



On June 14, 1775 the Second Continental Congress voted to raise 10 companies of riflemen to become the regular force of the Continental Army. Soon, we will be celebrating the 203rd birthday of the United States Army.

Over the years the Army's size and missions have expanded with our growing country's growing needs. In peacetime, the Army remains every ready and vigilant. In every conflict from the Revolutionary War on, it has ably defended American interests and freedoms. Our soldiers have served the nation well whenever called upon: in war, in natural disasters, even in space.

This year, as we salute the United States Army on its birthday, let each soldier remember Kennedy's words, "No man's answer...as to why he makes a career of the Army...will be clearer than your own."

## Protective Umbrella For The Transient Soldier

photo and story by Ted Elisee

The young soldier rolls a cigarette and slowly looks around the terminal.

He's tired and lost. Slowly, he inches his way towards a counter. The man behind the counter smiles and says - "Where to, soldier?" "Uh, I'm on my way to Korea", he replied. "But you see, I got this problem", he added, "my father just died and I'm supposed to be leaving today".



SFC Darnell Gardner, Shift Leader Military Personnel Assistance Desk, discusses the details of a military flight to Korea with SSgt. Kenneth Becker.

Another soldier, a SFC, walks up to the counter later in the day. He's on ordinary leave and he's been waiting for a military hop back to Korea. The leave has run out while waiting for the hop. "What can I do?", says the SFC.

A dependent wife, living at Hamilton AFB, wants to meet her husband at an Army headquarters and needs assistance in meeting her Port Call at JFK Airport in New York. "Can you help me?" said the pretty young Captain's wife.

"My wife is trying to rip me off," said the young sergeant. "I left her in quarters while I will be in Korea. I just heard she wants to leave me and live with another guy while I'm gone. I need to straighten this situation out. Can you help me?"

A retired soldier wants to visit his son in Illinois. He hopes to find an aircraft heading that way because he doesn't have the commercial fare readily available. Says the retiree, "Got anything going my way?"

Each of these is a real problem that the Military Personnel Transportation and Assistance Office (MPTAO) at Travis AFB helps people face on a day to day basis. The MPTAO, also known as the Aerial Port Liaison Office (or a variety of other names), is a twenty-four hour a day operation providing transportation assistance and personnel administration to military people and their dependents.

"Your problem is our business" is their motto. LTC E.C. Gregg, Chief of MPTAO, and SFC John Garcia, Operations Sergeant, were proud that their division was recently acknowledged by the DA IG as the #1 MPTAO in the nation because of its military bearing and hard work.

Now what about all the individuals with all the problems mentioned above? Each of these problems were solved within a short period of time with no hassles. Hard to believe? Yes. True? Definitely.

The young soldier whose father died was put on emergency leave and returned home. The SFC was issued a ticket, which he later paid for. The dependent wife received a Port Call, and the buck sergeant received help by being attached to the MPTAO adminis-

tratively so he could go back to his wife and get things straightened out. The retiree also received the satisfaction he wanted.

Now all of these stories are very nice; but what can the Military Personnel Transportation Assistance Office do for you? Travis AFB, for the military, is the "Gateway to the Pacific". The Military Personnel Transportation Assistance Office there will arrange

the transportation that will take you to your Pacific assignment. But that's not all!

When you sign out of your command and are en-route to your next command, who do you belong to? Not your previous command - you already signed out. Not your gaining command - you haven't signed in yet. This is where MPTAO comes in. They are your protective command while you are in a transient status.

MSgt. Dennis R. Jenkins, NCOIC of MPTAO, stressed the fact that no problem is too harsh for his division to face. Said Jenkins, "Our function is to take care of all problems as soon as they are brought to our attention. We tackle them as best we know how. Somebody in the chain has the power to grant the soldier the leave or extension he asks for, or help provide the money a soldier may need. Even if a soldier misses a plane, through no fault of his own, he can just call here and have his leave extended. That's all we ask. Just let us know you have a legitimate problem, and we'll take care of you from there."

LTC Gregg added, "Our services are many. Our job is to make sure that the military and its dependents are travel ready. Some of the services we perform here are: leave approval or extensions, and also assistance with hardship, billeting, financial, and passport/visa problems."

The volume of cases to be reckoned with is overwhelming. An average of 800 cases is handled every month by MPTAO. Said LTC Gregg, "I believe we are the most cost productive organization in the United States Army. We do everything in our power to respond instantaneously to the soldier."

Need a hop? Need transportation to your Pacific assignment? Need Port Call assistance? Billeting or financial problems while in a transient status? All of these problems can be reckoned with by the Military Personnel Transportation Assistance Office.

Its twenty-four hour number is: Commercial (707) 438-3280/Autovon 837-3280.

Remember "Your problem is our business!"



# TROOP TALK

Welcome to Troop Talk!

The weather is changing in the Bay Area; summer fog season is here. Hope all commuters coming over the Golden Gate Bridge will be especially careful of the dense fog. Slow down a little and be conscious of the distance between you and the car ahead of you.

The 402nd MP Co. continues to stay on top in its softball efforts. The team is unbeaten so far this season. Recently, **Sgt. Al Smith** led his team to a whopping 13-3 victory over D. Co., 864th Engrs. The team has a 4-0 record. **Pvt. Mark Simmons** recently graduated from Wheeled Vehicle Mechanics School at Ft. Ord. **Sgt. Phillip Scales** and **SSgt. Raymond Beaugrand** both qualified at Leadership Management School, also at Ft. Ord.

Promotions to PFC were given to **David Kable**, **Edward Raber**, **Kenneth Hart** and **Raymond Muller**. Congratulations!

Sad farewells were expressed by the command to **PFC Bill Turner** and **Sp4 George Banks** departing for Germany. **Cpl. Nick Pokrovsky**, my stringer from the 402nd, is also departing for Germany. Thanks for all of your good info **Nick**!

ETSing are **Sgt. Lorence Ort** and **Sgt. Francis Divita**.

At the HHD, 504th MP Bn. E-5 promos were handed to **Joseph Reilly** and **John Dodge**. Congrats are also in order for the **Mead Family**. They are boasting a new 10-pound 2-ounce baby boy.

USACC Agency proudly welcomed **Sp4 Eileen McElroy** from Germany, **Pvt. Calvin Black**, **Pvt. Joseph Brooks**, and **Pvt. Gloria Jones** from Ft. Gordon, GA. Also welcomed is **Miss Kathryn Sciabica**. PCSing are **Sgt. Newton Hagins** and **Sp4 Richard Schwarz**, both to Germany. The command thanks you for your efforts.

The Agency's bowling team took another first in the Presidio Bowling League and is now preparing for the up-coming Post Championship Roll-offs.

**Mr. Harry Chaney** received a Letter of Appreciation for participating in the Army Suggestion Award Prog-

ram. An Army Certificate of Achievement was awarded to **Sgt. Newton Hagins** for outstanding service to USACC. A Certificate for twenty years service was presented to **Mr. Vernon E. Hanson**, Western Area MARS Director. The MARS Program, which projects messages via short wave around the world, has been one of the greatest morale boosters to men and women in uniform. Mr. Hanson is to be specially commended for his service in this program. Thank you ever so much!

USAG recognized the efforts of **Deborah Garrison** and **Bruce Nelson** who were promoted to PFC and Sp5 respectively.

The 170th MP Co. welcomed **Sp4 Dennis North** from Germany and **Pvt. Rosalyn Stookeberry** from Ft. McClellan, AL.

The 170th received a well deserved pat on the back June 5. The Post Commander presented **Capt. Philip Lynch**, company commander, with the Post Quarterly Re-enlistment Award. The company sure must be taking care of its own!

D Co., 864th Engrs, welcomed **Pvt. Severo Gurul** and **Pvt. James Tuchek** from Ft. Leonard Wood. Promotions were awarded to **Richard Hammade** and **Mickey Newsome**, both E-5s. Well done!

16th AG Postal presented E-5 stripes to **Arlette Brown**. Departing were: **Sp5 Jeremiah Toliver** and **Sp4 Teresa Greggs** - both to Oakland Transfer Point. **Capt. and Mrs. Wayne Lamb** are celebrating the birth of their fifth boy. Congrats! **Lt. James Carroll** has been selected as the action officer for upcoming Fourth of July activities.

Well, about time to close. Words of Wisdom: We should all be concerned about the future because we will have to spend the rest of our lives there. The word for the week is **dream**. It doesn't hurt to dream. It does hurt when you don't dream. Little can be accomplished when you don't dream up ideas for the benefit of yourself and those around you. Take care and talk to you next week.

# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



You have to look up to see them.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S: INFORM, MAN-IAC, STUCCO, LARYNX, CHROME  
ANSWER: INCOME TAX TIME

## Ramblin' Sam

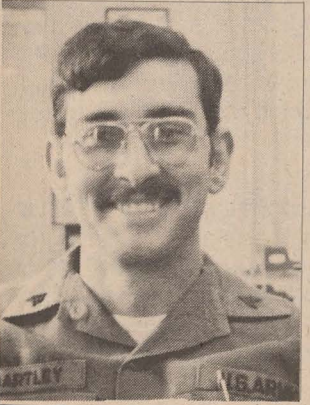


Have you ever taken a military hop?



Sp4 Nancy Dietrich, Mail Clerk, Finance & Accounting — "No. I've only flown commercial flights. I've heard hops are inconvenient and I like a reserved seat."

Capt. James Ackerman, CE Officer, HQ Sixth Rgn CIDC — "Yes. It was a good experience, and I didn't have any problems. I took one from Bangkok to Singapore. I would try this service again."

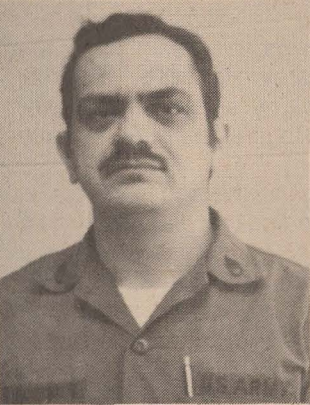


Sgt. Steven Bartley, Battalion Learning Center, 504th MP Bn. — "No, I haven't because the opportunity hasn't come up. As far as I know, I couldn't reach my home state of Iowa by military hop, but I'm seriously considering trying to get one to Korea."



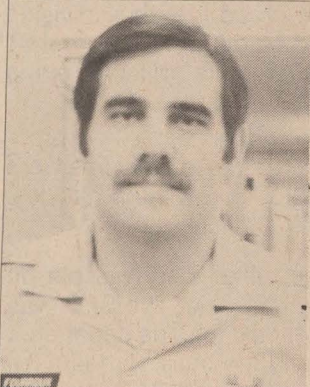
Sp4 John Young, Illustrator, HHD, 504th MP Bn. — "No, I've been kind of worried about getting a flight back on time. I think I would like to try to do it in the future, though."

Pvt. Pamela Waller, Clerk-Typist, COMPACT — "No. It takes too many days to get on a flight and I'm just not willing to wait."

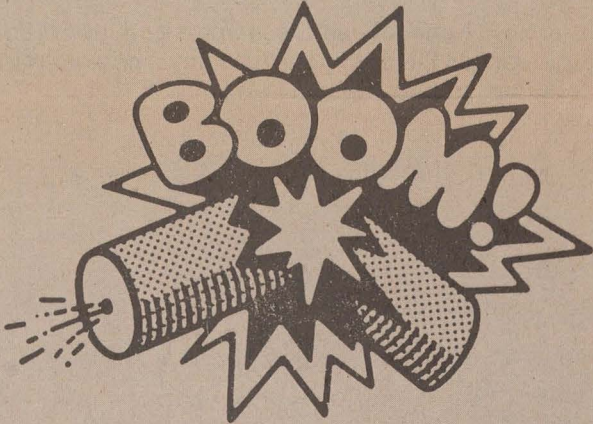
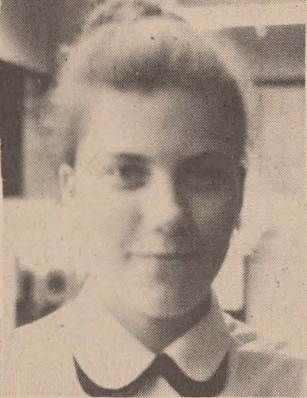


SSgt. Wilfredo Chajin, Computer Operator, MISO — "Yes, I did. It went from New Jersey to California. I got bumped off in Illinois though. They did get me a bus to St. Louis, MO. I was satisfied with the service I received."

PFC Charlene Bryant, Keypunch Operator, MISO — "No, I've tried, but with no success. They've not had anything going my way either."



Sp5 Norville Fourraux, Computer Programmer, MISO — "No, I've never had the opportunity. I wouldn't take one anyway. They run late and they're crowded."



Last week's Star Presidian contained a number of blunders. First, while assignment rules for Hawaii have recently been liberalized, the island state is NOT considered a CONUS tour, as we had erroneously stated.

Also, we mistakenly implied that ACS is giving away Military Travel Guides. Not so. Visitors to ACS are welcome to use their guide as a reference on the premises, but it's not for sale or to be given away.

Finally, in last week's "Sports," we wrongly assigned Col. Joseph Holihen, who officially opens this weekend's Bike Show, to DPTSEC. That's close...but really, he is the director of post headquarters' DPCA (Personnel and Community Activities).

"Doctors bury their mistakes, lawyers send their errors to jail, but editors print theirs!"

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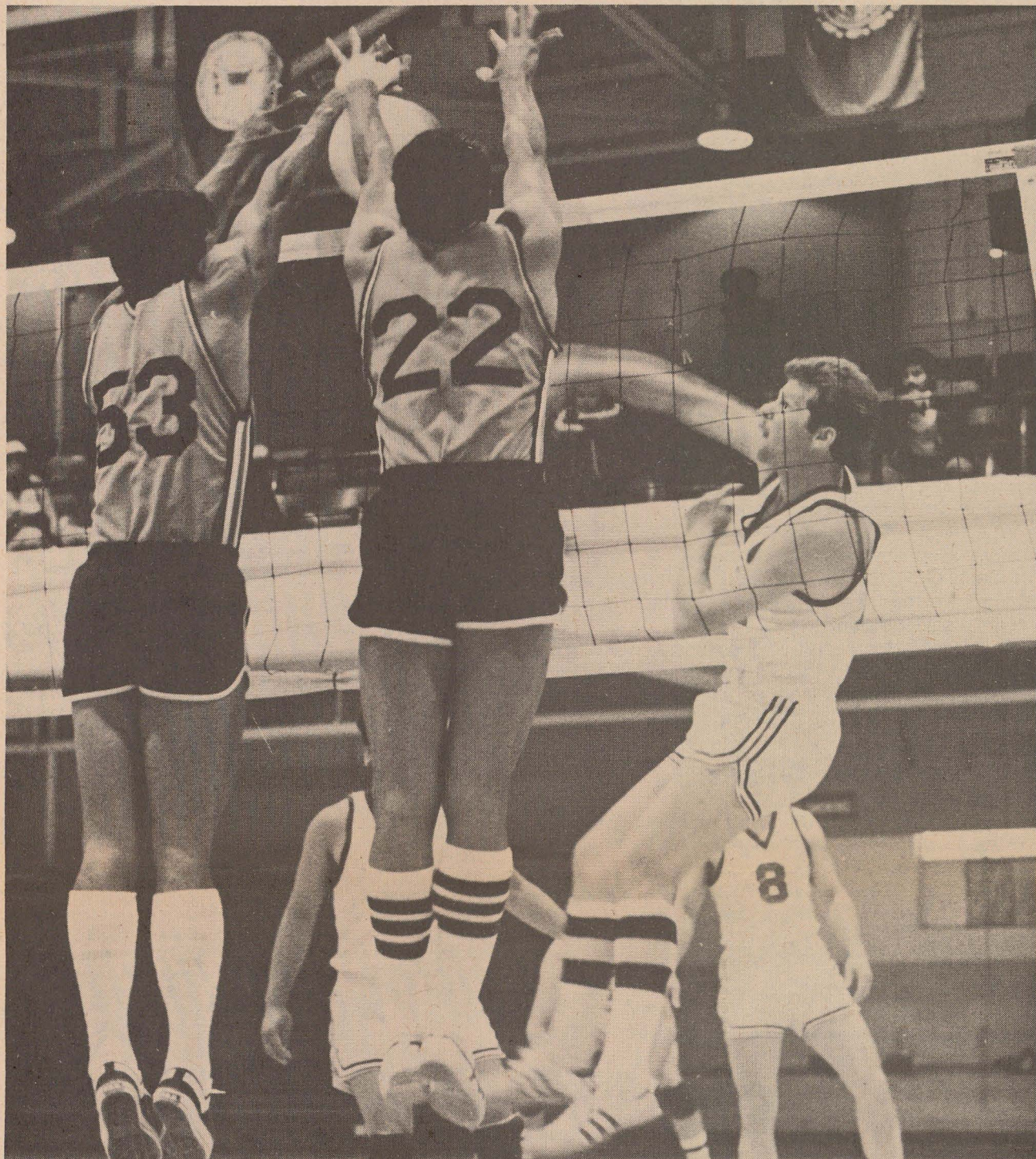
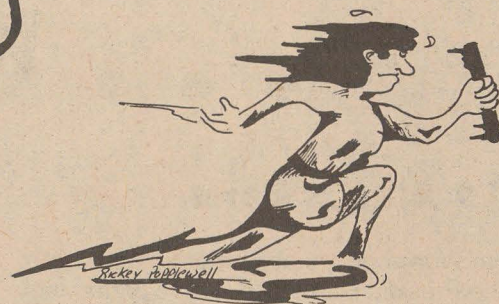
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# SPORTS



Lon Peterson (wht) representing the Presidio from LAIR, slams a point against Fort Riley in the FORSCOM Volleyball Tournament at Fort Lewis, WA. The Presidio's only victory of the FORSCOM Tourney came at the expense of Fort Riley, 15-9, 15-7 and 15-8 as the Presidio went on to lose to Fort Carson, Alaska and Fort Ord. (US Army Photo, Ft. Lewis PAO)

Looking for something to do this weekend?? Look no further. Here are some of the happenings around the Bay Area on the sports scene that are **FREE**.

Right here at the good ole Presidio is the 10-speed bicycle show at the Rec Center tomorrow and Sunday. At 10 a.m. tomorrow is the Presidio Bicycle Championship Races for both military personnel and their families.

Other activities will include bicycle displays from local dealers, films, a Sunday afternoon family bicycle ride, and presentations on safety, touring, theft prevention, and bicycle maintenance.

The program will end Sunday evening with a barbecue and films of bicycle races.

Ten-speed rentals are available at outdoor recreation for a nominal fee if you need a pair of wheels.

More wildlife activities. The newly-created Central Coast Wildlife Conservation Council will hold a meeting in Benicia tomorrow at the Historic Benicia State Capitol Building at 10 a.m.

The agenda will include discussion of Department of Fish and Game policies; identification and preservation of critical marshland habitat and the problems of keeping exotic pets.

The lunch break will be 12:30 to 2 p.m. A list of the many small restaurants in Benicia will be available, or those who wish may bring picnic lunches and eat on the grounds of the Capitol.

Following the meeting, there will be a walking tour of the nearby Southampton Marsh led by Benicia State Park rangers and local naturalists.

If you've been wanting to get your two-cents worth in, here's the chance to do it.

Maybe just horsing around is your thing. There is plenty of opportunity to do just that this weekend, too.

The Annual Ride For Research is being held tomorrow and is expected to attract several hundred horsemen — horsewomen and horsechildren included — in this worthwhile project.

Riders in the event will depart from the Stone Valley Arena near Danville, and ride a 20-mile route over Mount Diablo and back down.

Riders sign up sponsors pledging any amount they wish per mile, and judges at six checkpoints along the way verify that the rider completed those miles. All funds raised go to the Equine Research Center at UC Davis.

Looks like I may have jumped the gun last week by giving all of the credit for the change in rules governing the eight to ten year old baseball league to Frank Castro. It seems that another gentleman has been attempting for some time now to incorporate the adult pitching rule. Sorry Van Lowry. No slight intended. Now I'm probably in trouble with Castro. Oh well, you can't win them all.

## Editorial

Too often, cries of "favoritism" and "unprofessionalism" have been raised with regard to Army women. Much of this outcry can be attributed to normal problems arising from the rapid expansion of the role and numbers of women in the Army. Like any big change, this one takes years to iron out all the bugs. But we think great advances have been made in integrating women into the Army.

A recent example that seems to confirm that hypothesis comes to us from the Ft. Ord rifle range. Over 130 soldiers from Headquarters Company, USAG, Presidio and the 16th AG Detachment here fired for records at the M-16 range there two weeks ago, including 24 women. All but one of those women qualified, including five who fired "expert".

The attitude of the women at the range was soldierly and professional. In contrast to past field exercises within the memory of this editor, not a single woman wore her hair down past her shoulders or committed other uniform violations.

These are small indicators that something is going right. The Army needs good women to soldier; we're glad to see it is getting them.

Photo by Jim Canfield





# ... News Break ...

## A Star Is Born

A Summer Workshop Theatre program will be conducted at the Presidio Playhouse to give performers, directors and technicians with varying amounts of experience (or no past experience) the opportunity to work together in presenting a series of one-act plays. Tryouts will be held on Monday and Tuesday, June 12 and 13 at 7 p.m. at the Playhouse and are open to anyone interested.

If you would like to learn more or gain experience in acting, directing, scenery building, lighting, stage managing and the many facets of theatrical production, why don't you join in? Performance dates in July will be announced.

## Gourmet Chefs

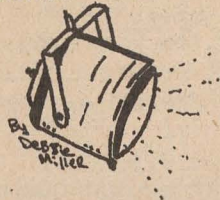
Army cooks captured the grand award for Best Overall Showing and 58 other culinary awards in competition among some of America's top hotel and industrial chefs earlier this month.

Members of the Army culinary arts team earned 17 first place, 30 second place and 11 third place awards at the 8th National Culinary Arts Salon and Exhibition in Chicago. The 19 team members displayed their talents in preparing meats, desserts and other foods in the prestigious competition. Each member was credited with individually earning at least one of the 58 awards.

While the entries in the Chicago competition weren't typical examples of how food is prepared in Army dining facilities, a team official said that the skills demonstrated by the team members are reflected in U.S. troop meal preparation around the world. (ARNews)

## New Chief of Staff

An honors ceremony was held yesterday for the new Sixth Army Chief of Staff, **Brigadier General Michael N. Bakarich**, on the Presidio parade field. BG Bakarich, who comes here from Korea where he last served as the Assistant Division Commander, 2nd Infantry, replaces BG Thomas W. Bowen who retired last month.



## PSF Fourth of July

The Fourth of July is a time for picnics, family outings and whatnot. This year, don't jump the gun. There may be more to do at the Presidio than anywhere else in the area. Some of the attractions planned include displays, aerial demonstrations, rides for the kids, a 50-gun salute, and a walkathon! Watch for more information about the gala events on the Presidio for the Fourth of July.

## Youth Tennis

Summer Youth Tennis Lessons are being offered by Recreation Services for youngsters ages 6 - 18, starting June 27 and running through August 11. The instructor will be tennis pro George Collier.

Cost of the lessons is \$5.00 per person. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration.

Sign up and fees are payable at the Recreation Services Office, Bldg. 122, 8 a.m. - noon, by June 26.

## Buy Bonds

A special presentation held last Wednesday kicked off the 1978 Savings Bond Campaign for Presidio personnel, which will be conducted during the month of June. The theme for this year is "Take Stock in America, Buy U.S. Savings Bonds."

When your bond chairman contacts you don't hesitate to ask him any questions you may have regarding the merits of payroll savings. There are many unique features which make savings bonds attractive as a personal savings plan.

Regularity is the secret of good fiscal health. It's there when you need that extra money for travel, education or retirement and there's no safer, surer, easier way than the Payroll Savings Plan.

## Coping With Life

"Coping With Life on The Run", a film on running, will be shown in the weight room of the Post Gym, Wednesday, June 14 at noon.

Produced by well known runner, **Dr. George Sheehan**, the film is excellent fare for all runners or would-be joggers.

Questions on running will be answered after the showing of the film.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, June 9, Crossed Swords (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 10, The King Elephant (G), 2 p.m.

Sunday, June 11, The Fury (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 12, The Fury (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13, One On One (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14, Casey's Shadow (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 15, Casey's Shadow (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, June 9, People That Time Forgot (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 2, American Hot Wax (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 13, MacArthur (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14, Exit the Dragon, Enter the Tiger (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 15, Convoy Buddies (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, June 9, MacArthur (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 10, American Hot Wax (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 12, Crossed Swords (PG), 7 p.m.



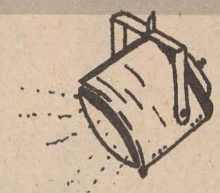
by MSgt. R.E. Leach

If you don't see it this weekend, then you've missed it! "It" is the Presidio Playhouse production of the "Owl and the Pussycat" a fabulous comedy hit written by Bill Manhoff.

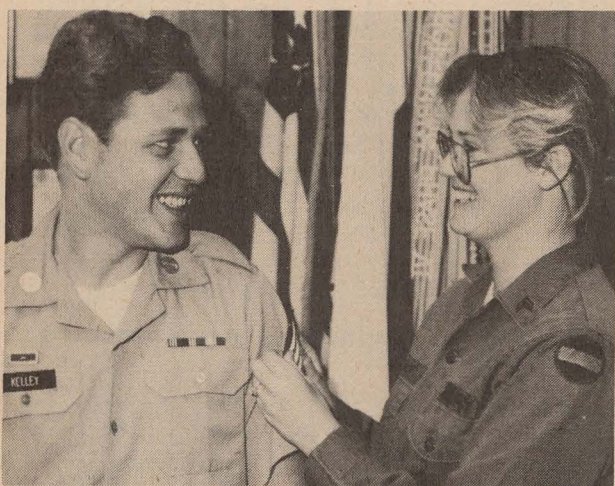
The two-act play has two characters, and I mean characters in every sense of the word. Felix, played by Bay Area actor and director Paul Marvel, is the epitome of all that San Francisco stands for, both good and not-so-good. He is a writer of works that have not yet found readers who can appreciate or understand them. He causes a woman, Doris, to be thrown out of her apartment, and she blatantly moves into his. Doris is played by Denise Scarboro, serving on active duty with the 504th MP Bn.

The intellectual Felix has his share of problems with the scatter-brained Doris, and the play moves swiftly and easily through a maze of man-woman relationships, both humorous and pitiful. The two actors perform so professionally that one hardly notices there are only two.

As usual with Playhouse productions, the behind-the-scenes staff has done a great job with direction, scenery, lighting and the dozens of other chores that are necessary to support the stage performers. For the nominal charge levied, it would be difficult to match the Owl and the Pussycat for entertainment.



# PSF Spotlights



Promotions in the Military Police Corps are usually a time to sound sirens and blare whistles. Especially if there are two promotions in one family.

"Mr. and Mrs." Kenneth Kelley were recently jointly promoted to Sergeant. To date, they have accomplished some notable firsts in their military career. For example, they were the first married couple ever to enlist in the Military Police Corps together.

Ken, a native of Coalinga, CA, and Vickie, from Lodi, CA, have had maximum Army cooperation in making their assignments. They attended MP school at Ft. McClellan, AL, together, then moved on to Taegu, Korea, and then here together.

In keeping with their philosophy of doing things together, they reenlisted in a joint ceremony in May 1977. Part of their reenlistment option was an assignment here.

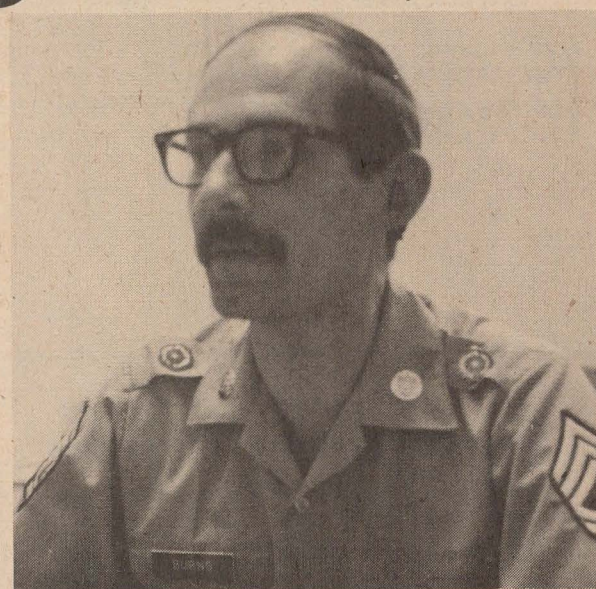
Vicki (Mrs. Kelley) works at HQ, 504th MP Bn. and Ken works at the Provost Marshal's Office. The Kelleys, who have two children, are both happy with their careers and are proud to be in the United States Army Military Police Corps.

Putting your ideas into operation can mean extra bucks for you. One guy who learned this recently is **Sp4 Richard Schwarz**, who received a Department of the Army Certificate of Commendation and a \$485 cash award for participating in the Suggestion Awards Program.

Schwarz's adopted suggestion for changing the selected telephone exchange equipment will vastly improve the wide area telephone service (WATS) while at the same time restricting access to those not authorized to use the service.

His suggestion effects annual savings of \$8,686 which well exceeds the USACC agency's fiscal year savings goal of \$3,628.

The certificate and cash award were presented by **LTC Henry J. Harvey**, Commander, USACC Agency, PSF, in a recent ceremony.



"Getting an education can mean getting ahead." **SFC Joseph T. Burns, Jr.**, of HQ, 6th Rgn. CIDC, lives by that motto — he has accumulated 1500 hours of military correspondence courses.

Said Burns, a native of Denver, CO, "I'm very concerned about my career and my future. I believe that education is necessary to get ahead."

Even after that accomplishment, he was not satisfied with his level of military education and sought a way to further his knowledge. Since he could not go to the Sergeant Majors' Academy, because of rank requirements, Burns took his quest for education one step further and applied for permission to take the Adjutant General Corps Advanced "Officers" course. Believe it or not, DA granted this.

The course will be taken by correspondence through coordination with Ft. Benjamin Harrison, IN. His unit is proud to have a man with such high ideals.



# New rating system

The U.S. Civil Service Commission has approved a new civilian performance evaluation system for the Department of the Army. To begin in October 1978 the system is designed to improve the current method which was criticized for lacking specifics and employee involvement.

The new system will feature rating on elements related to each employee's particular job assignment. Both employees and their supervisors will identify practical performance objectives. Contained in the new system will be a provision for evaluating how well supervisors rate their employees.

Officials say the new system is expected to be more responsive to management needs, providing a better basis for employment decisions — promotions, training nominations, and awards.

Benjamin B. Beeson, Army Civilian Personnel Director, said that "line manager acceptance of the system is the key to its success." According to Beeson, while the system will be more demanding to administer, the pay off in better communication and personnel decisions will more than justify the extra effort. Before the system goes into effect, all civilian employees will be oriented and military and civilian supervisors trained in its use. (ARNews)

## Star Presidian

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# Getting out of the Red

by SFC Doug Palmer

Inflation has had a devastating effect on most Americans, including those in the military. But many money management problems of service personnel are of their own making.

The difficulty is in getting people to realize their problems and to become motivated to find not only short-term but also long-range solutions.

"My impression is that the number of military personnel with excessive indebtedness is increasing. One of the main causes is living in a high-cost area (San Francisco), but for still many other people it's simply a problem of poor planning," explained Robert Nightingale, director of Army Community Services at the Presidio.

For the director and his associates at the debt prevention-oriented agency, stories about today's financial and related crises aren't unique.

"I believe I've heard every story in the book," Nightingale said, reflecting on many years of hearing and solving others' personal problems.

Diane Newcomb, ACS budget counseling specialist, agrees. However, she says she has learned to appreciate the problems of military families.

"I was a lower grade military wife for a while, so I know the kinds of problems with which people have to deal."

"People are usually reluctant to ask for help. A lot of people, especially men, see themselves as failures if they have to ask for help," the counselor said.

Because of this reluctance, ACS has reached out to help by giving talks and other presentations to Army units. In doing so, it has found many individuals in tough and often embarrassing financial situations.

Many have lost control of their ability to use credit cards wisely; others forget or don't seem concerned about paying bills; numerous personnel already had large debts when they joined the military; and many husbands and wives incur heavy expenses without consulting each other.

"We have found that too many people have not learned the basics of money management as they were growing up. Simple things such as check book maintenance and handling credit cards are major stumbling blocks to them," Ms. Newcomb lamented.

The budget counselor has about 15 open cases of persons in her files who have signed an agreement and are working with her to solve their financial problems. They include two couples who each are more than \$12,000 in debt.

"Both have been married seven or eight years and both wanted nice things for their families, but they didn't seem to realize how deeply they were getting in debt. In fact, they weren't keeping track of their bills. They were amazed how much they totaled when we got it down on paper," Ms. Newcomb pointed out.

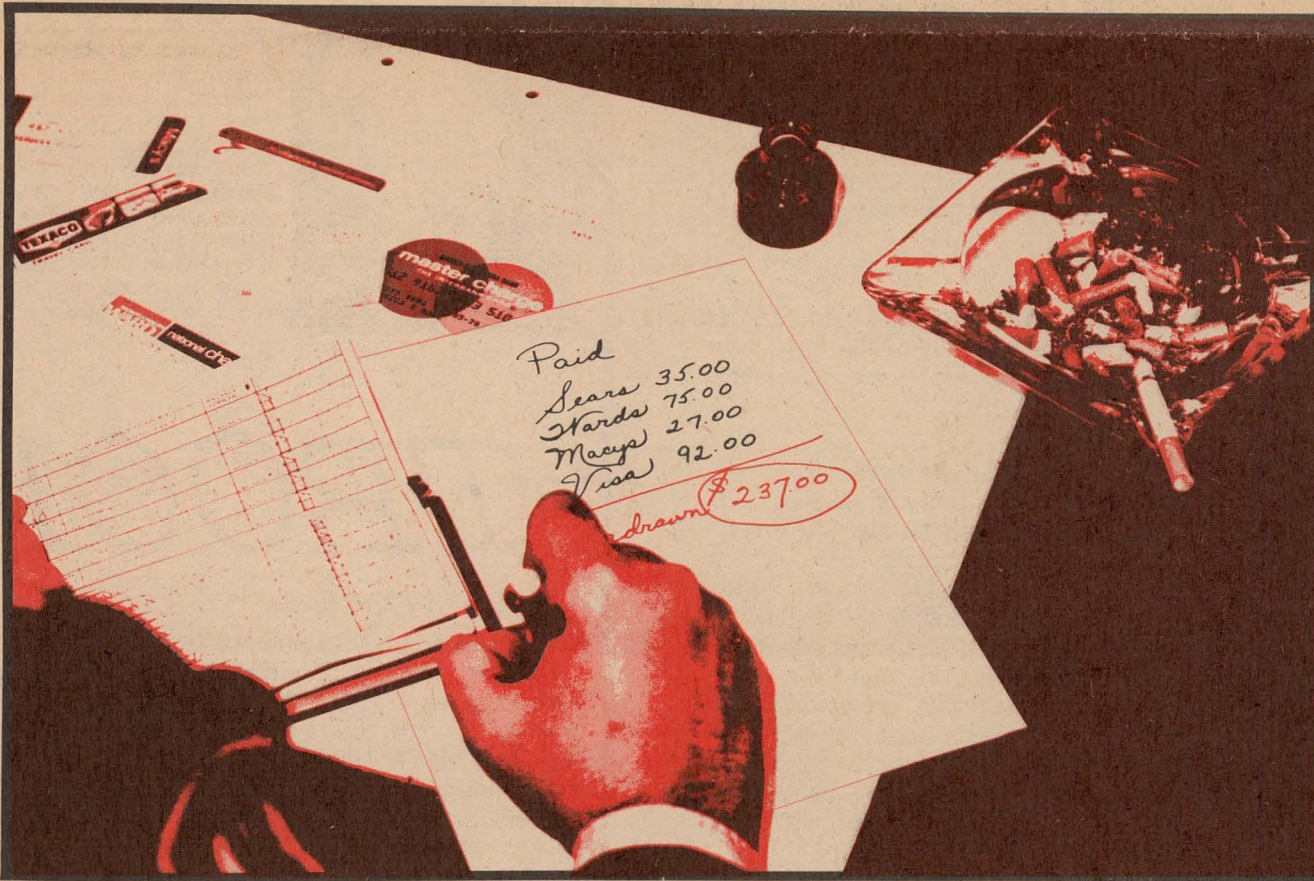
The wife of one Navy man, who was away from home for nine months, let bills accumulate, stacking them up on the refrigerator as they arrived.

"She didn't know what to do with the bills. Someone

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**"A desire of some couples to purchase in a few months what it took their parents many years to acquire often causes severe problems."**

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suggested to her that she call me. It took about three sessions to get things straightened out," Ms. Newcomb recalled.

A desire of some couples to purchase in a few months what it took their parents many years to acquire often causes severe problems.

"One of the main problems of people in the military is that they want big cars, and there just aren't many people who can afford a \$150 a month car payment."

"In the last couple of months I was able to negotiate with dealers to take back cars that military personnel couldn't afford. In some cases, the individuals hadn't made payments for six months, but we were able to work things out so they wouldn't have to make additional payments," Ms. Newcomb related.

Some persons caught in serious financial binds think that the only solution is to declare bankruptcy.

"I tell them that if they file for bankruptcy under Chapter 13 through the courts it will cost them for lawyers and court costs, but with our program there will be no cost and they will be on their way to building a good credit rating," Ms. Newcomb said.

Many people who either seek or are referred to ACS are successful in surmounting a multitude of financial hurdles.

In all its endeavors, ACS is working to help military personnel and their dependents to plan and prepare for the future — by buying and spending wisely.

Though they are often successful in helping people overcome financial hurdles, Ms. Newcomb freely admits her limitations:

"We can only help people so far, and then they have to take responsibility for their own actions."



# Hawaiian picnic

The most famous of Polynesians, King Kamehameha, the man who united the Hawaiian Islands and became their first king, will be honored tomorrow, June 17.

King Kamehameha's name may be translated to "The One Set Apart", and from early youth he was inspired with the ambition to rule all the islands in the Hawaiian chain.

In 1782, as the result of a brief civil war, he became ruler of the western half of Hawaii. By 1795 he had conquered the whole of that island and the rest of the Hawaiian chain.

The determined and ruthless warrior was known as a benevolent, intelligent ruler, and a father of his people. He devoted the latter part of his life to improving the government and economy of his island empire.

King Kamehameha died at the village of Kailua on Hawaii during an epidemic of influenza on May 8, 1819, and was buried in a secret cave in the face of a cliff overlooking the sea.

Bring your own picnic lunch tomorrow to the NCO Club Picnic Field for the celebration. Beginning at 11:30 a.m., the picnic and entertainment will last until 5 p.m. The Kamaka Oka Lani Dancers will perform at 12:30 p.m. and Malia's Dance Studio will entertain at 3 p.m. Barbecue grills and a portable bar will also be available.

For more information call the Post Equal Opportunity Office, ext. 3701/4602.

## Editorial

# Save water!

by Ted Elisee

Any kind of conservation campaign is a hard pill to swallow. Who wants to hear about that again?

I don't blame you. Conservation is something we hear about all the time. But perhaps the topic of conservation is hard to swallow because the truth is something we don't want to hear. Many of us just close our ears when the idea of personal sacrifice is involved.

The water supply on the Presidio has reached low levels a number of times this year, though we haven't even experienced the peak of summer heat.

I find it amazing how soon some people forget! The Bay Area is just getting back on its feet from last year's drought, yet already people are reverting to poor water conservation habits.

When the water conservation signs posted around the Presidio say the supply is "limited" or "critical", they mean just that. The signs are not a ploy by the Presidio. They actually mean the water level is below normal in the post's reservoirs.

Last year, Presidio residents used fifty per cent less water than they are using now, and still, everything basically remained green. This year, even with rains which have kept things green, we're still using so much more water than necessary.

I know you have heard the water conservation pitch so many times before, but obviously some people need to hear it again. Please, conserve your water.

In this way, there will be enough for everybody.

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# Ramblin' Sam



**Do you feel the Army properly prepares an individual for transition from military to civilian life?**



**Sp5 Edith Love, Admin Specialist, HQ Sixth Army** — In certain cases, some are prepared. In my line of work, I would be prepared because I can type and take steno; but my job skills are not tested to the fullest and so I feel I am not proficient enough to tackle a secretary's job.

**PFC Kevin Taylor, MP, 170th MP Bn** — I would say no, although the MPs are getting some training on civilian police tactics. The Army should provide training in other MOSes. Since the Army is not doing that, I would say that the average person is not properly prepared for ETS.



**Capt. Karen Kenyon, Adjutant, HQ Sixth Rgn CIDC** — I believe this question has to be considered on a case-by-case basis. I myself gave up a good job to come into the Army in order to get diversity. The concern for transition should come from the individual himself. The Army system is based on keeping an individual in for twenty years. The individual should take the initiative to make sure that the transition is an effective one.



**Sp4 Brenda Bidwell, Preventive Medicine Specialist, LAMC** — No. The Employment Seminars are not scheduled on a regular basis and so you can miss out on a lot of good information. If you miss out, how can you be prepared for ETS?



**SSgt. John Davis, Equal Opportunity Specialist, Human Resource Division** — I think the Army does try to prepare to bring an individual properly into civilian life, but I feel there is room for improvement. I believe the employment seminars need to be more properly scheduled.



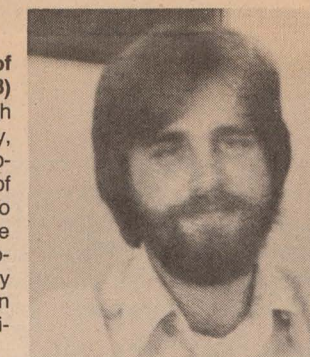
**Sp4 Joselli Newfield, Preventive Medicine Specialist, LAMC** — No, because the military is an entirely different style of life. Also, the on-the-job experience that the Army provides is not equal to civilian life.



**PVT Angel Cordero, Messenger, USAG Supply** — They give enough training to an individual in his own field, and if this person is a together person, he will be smart enough to use it to his own benefit.



**Mr. Bob Hall, formerly of LAMC, (ETS May, 1978)** — After the thorough socialization into the Army, I was extremely disappointed by the absence of a program helping you to adjust to civilian life. The Army is programmed toward re-enlisting as many as they can rather than trying to prepare an individual for civilian life.



# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk.

The Words of Wisdom this week are: "When an American says that he loves his country, he means not only that he loves the New England hills, the prairies glistening in the sun, the wide and rising plains, the great mountains, and the sea. He means that he loves an inner air, an inner light in which freedom lives and in which a man can draw the breath of self-respect." These words were expressed by Adlai Stevenson. They sure give us something to think about. The word for the week is **inferior**. Eleanor Roosevelt once said, "No one can make you feel inferior without your consent."

For Hamilton AFB and Raphael Village residents — the housing officer says that although the water rationing policy is off, they hope that all residents will still remain conscious of the water level in their area. Also, grass seed and fertilizer is available for free pick-up again.

Progress is rapidly being made on the steps that used to lead to nowhere behind the post cafeteria. Take a look! They're just about finished and do lead to somewhere now.

**163rd MP Co.** had two promotions this week. Promoted to 1st Lt. were **Wayne Emard** and **Lester Hazen**.

**SSgt. Gaylene Willis** is my new contact for info at the **170th MP Co.** Really glad to have her aboard. New arrivals for the company are: **Pvts. Larry Thompson** and **Michael Pike**, both from Ft. McClellan, Ala. **1st Sgt. Leo Wafford** is departing

for **Giessen, Germany**, to become first shirt for the **202nd MP Co.** The new "Top" for the company is **SFC William Thomas**. The **170th MP Co.** overcame all comers in the field of baseball at the Organization Day festivities. After soundly defeating the **402nd's** softball team, they went on to take the **Battalion Softball Championship**.

**HQ Sixth Region USCIDC** reports the departure of **Sp5 Daniel Pinch** who is ETSing to Rhode Island. Dan discovered a way to overcome the problem of inflation and the job market. By wisely investing in some land a few years back, he is now the proud owner of a hotel! By placing fourth, in a recent Post Golf Tourney, **CW4 Ronald Whitecliff** has earned the right to compete in the Northern Golf Association Bay Area Tournament. **Sp5 Debbie Johnson** was awarded a Letter of Appreciation for some outstanding work at the HQ.

**USACC Agency** reported three promos to E-5. They are: **Stanley Taylor**, **Michael Easley** and **Charles Richards**. **Mr. Frederick Horton** was promoted to GS-10. **Mr. Joseph Bewly** and **Mr. Calvin Haller** were presented with certificates for outstanding service.

The **402nd MP Co.** is making its farewells to **Sp4 Ronnie Painter**, who is ETSing, and to **Sp4 Mark Hanks**, who is PCSing to Germany. **SSgt. Robert Delamontaigne** just completed a Dining Facility Management Course at Ft. Ord. Get Well Wishes go out to **SSgt. Robert Dumouschel** who is on convalescent leave. Well, that's about it. Talk to you next week.



# Top netters

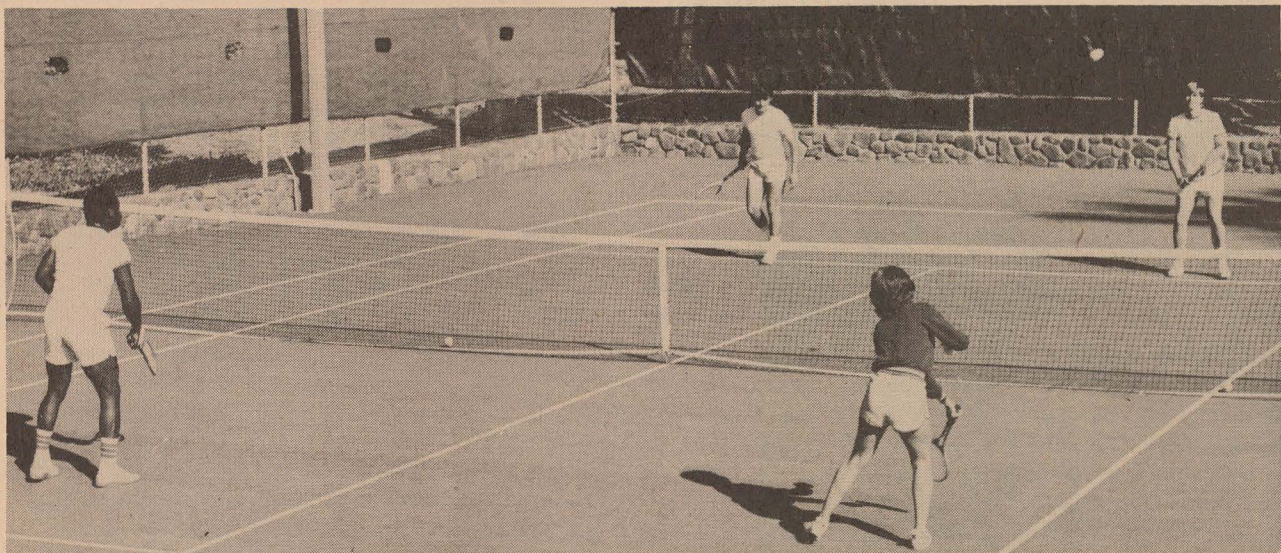
by Ron Renouf

Nearly 85 of the Army's top tennis players from west of the Mississippi River will begin arriving here tomorrow for the US Forces Command Western Region 1978 Tennis Tournament.

Vying for the Championship in four separate divisions will be players from Fort Lewis, WA; Hawaii; Alaska; St. Louis Support Command, St. Louis, MO; Fort Hood, TX; Fort Carson, CO; Fort Sam Houston, TX; Fort Riley, KS; Fort Ord, CA, and from the host installation, the Presidio of San Francisco.

Representing the Presidio will be **Richard Bristow**, USAG; **Ronald Johnson**, **Willie Sessions** and **Richard Karsh**, all of LAMC, in the Open Division; **Thomas Egan**, LAMC and **Lynn Rasmussen**, Sixth Army, in the Junior Veterans Division; **Jack Osteen** and **John Meese**, Sixth Army, in the Veterans Division; and **Sue Goulding**, LAMC, and **Gloria Melendez Ramos**, LAIR, in the Womens Division.

The Tournament will feature singles and doubles play in each of the four divisions. Drawings will be held Sunday afternoon with opening round play slated for 8 a.m. Monday, June 19, on eight separate courts located throughout the installation. All tennis courts will be closed from June 17-23 for the tournament.



Getting ready for the upcoming FORSCOM tournament are Willie Sessions (left front), Gloria Ramos, and Clay Bristow (right rear). Mike Faer (left rear) is just trying to help the others get into top form. (Photo by Dan Jackson)



Team members (l-r) Rick Brown, Johann Brown, John Reckner, and John Davis took first place for Headquarters Company USAG in the Command Sergeant Major's Bowling Tourney here last week. (Photo by Dan Jackson)

## SPORT

## SHORTS

### Bowling standings

| Presidio League | W | L |
|-----------------|---|---|
| HHD, 504th      | 7 | 0 |
| 402d MP Co      | 6 | 1 |
| ARR IX          | 4 | 1 |
| USACC           | 7 | 2 |
| 93d MI          | 5 | 3 |
| USAG            | 5 | 4 |
| 16th AG Det     | 2 | 6 |
| 864th Engr      | 2 | 7 |
| 170th MP Co     | 2 | 7 |
| WRRRC           | 0 | 9 |

| San Francisco League | W | L |
|----------------------|---|---|
| FBI                  | 8 | 0 |
| LAIR #1              | 6 | 2 |
| LAMC #2              | 6 | 2 |
| 666th Rad Sqd        | 5 | 3 |
| LAIR #2              | 4 | 4 |
| LAMC #1              | 3 | 5 |
| DENTAC               | 2 | 6 |
| US Attorneys         | 2 | 6 |
| USPHS                | 0 | 8 |

### Fresh fish

If water, weather, and road conditions were favorable, the following waters were scheduled to be stocked with catchable trout during the past week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Lake Chabot, Alameda Creek
- Contra Costa County — San Pablo Reservoir
- Lake County — Upper Blue Lake
- Marin County — Stafford Reservoir, Bon Tempe Reservoir, Lagunitas Reservoir
- Mendocino County — Cleone Lake, East Branch Russian River
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced
- Santa Cruz County — Lock Lomond Reservoir

# Baseball stats

### Results

#### May 31

HHD 504th 15, 170th MP Co 7  
402d MP Co 13, Co D, 864th Engr 3  
USACC 7, WRRRC O (forfeit)  
USAG 11, 93d MI 9

#### June 1

LAIR #2 7, DENTAC O (forfeit)  
FBI 7, LAIR #1 4  
666th Rad Sqd 8, LAMC #2 4  
LAMC #1 4, USPHS 0

#### June 5

Co D, 864th Engr 11, 16th AG Det 1  
USACC 24, USAG 7  
93d MI 18, 170th MP Co 16

#### June 6

FBI 20, LAMC #1 3  
666th Rad Sqd 14, US Attorneys 7  
LAMC #2 14, DENTAC 11  
LAIR #2 16, USPHS 1

### San Francisco League

|               | WON | LOST |
|---------------|-----|------|
| FBI           | 7   | 0    |
| LAMC #2       | 6   | 2    |
| 666th Rad Sqd | 5   | 2    |
| LAIR #1       | 5   | 2    |
| LAIR #2       | 3   | 4    |

|              |   |   |
|--------------|---|---|
| LAMC #1      | 2 | 4 |
| DENTAC       | 2 | 5 |
| US Attorneys | 2 | 5 |
| USPHS        | 0 | 7 |

### Presidio League

|                 |   |   |
|-----------------|---|---|
| HHD, 504th      | 5 | 0 |
| 402d MP Co      | 4 | 0 |
| ARR IX          | 4 | 1 |
| USACC           | 5 | 2 |
| 93d MI          | 4 | 3 |
| USAG            | 3 | 3 |
| Co D 864th Engr | 2 | 4 |
| WRRRC           | 0 | 4 |
| 170th MP Co     | 0 | 5 |
| 16th AG Det     | 0 | 5 |

### Ft. Scott League

|              | WON | LOST |
|--------------|-----|------|
| Spt. Elm. #2 | 93  | 27   |
| 93rd MI Bn   | 83½ | 36½  |
| SFFO CID     | 83  | 37   |
| USAG #2      | 75  | 45   |
| LAMC #2      | 65½ | 54½  |
| LAIR #2      | 57  | 63   |
| 87th Ord     | 51  | 69   |
| SIGSEC       | 39½ | 80½  |
| 16th AG      | 34½ | 85½  |
| 504th MP     | 29  | 91   |

# Recreation Center news

A **Summer Youth Gymnastics Class** is being offered by Recreation Services Youth Activities for youngsters ages 6-18. Lessons will begin Tuesday, June 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 10 a.m. at the Post Gym, and will run every Tuesday and Thursday mornings until July 20.

The cost will be \$7.00 per student for the entire class. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. The instructor, Mr. Oleg Kofman, has 16 years experience with the Russian Army Gym Team, and the Odessa University Gym Team.

Girls must wear leotards and slippers; boys must wear shorts and tennis shoes. Registration and fees

will be paid at Recreation Services Office, Bldg. 122, from 8 a.m. until noon through June 19. For more information call the DYA Office, ext. 5143.

A **Chess Tournament** will be held at the Recreation Center on Saturday, June 17, starting at 9:30 a.m. This will be a five round swiss tournament. The tournament is open to all military personnel, dependents, and retired personnel, rated and unrated. To register, stop by the Recreation Center, Bldg 135 or telephone Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

**Giants Baseball Tickets** are on sale at the Recreation Center. These choice box seat tickets are for all

Sunday home games, at a cost of \$5.00 each. There are a limited number for each game so buy your tickets now and save yourself a trip to the box office. This offer is for military personnel only. For details visit the Recreation Center, Bldg 135 or telephone Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

**Guitar Lessons** will start at the Recreation Center on Wednesday, June 21 at 5:30 p.m. The cost will be \$25.00 for 10 one-hour lessons. This is a beginners group and sign-ups will be limited. For further information contact the Recreation Center, Bldg 135, Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.



# News Break

## ETS Employment Program

An Employment Program will be held Thursday, June 29, at 1 p.m. at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216.

This program is geared to the ETSing soldier. Offering facts about employment, financial aid for on-the-job training or additional education as well as veterans benefits, the seminar is free.

Call 3693/4030 for more information or reservations.

## Woman/Man of the year

The Federal Women's Program Committee is initiating a Woman-of-the-Year/Man-of-the-Year honor. One woman and one man will receive the award each year on Woman's Day (this year, August 25). Forms with criteria for nominating selectees will be distributed to all PSF activities in the next two weeks. Deadline for nominations is July 24. Contact Wanda Greer at ext. 2022 for more information.

## Suggestion Campaign

With only three weeks left in the Presidio-wide Suggestion Campaign, submissions are becoming more numerous.

Since the beginning of the campaign (April 15), four persons have had suggestions adopted which resulted in actual dollar savings: **Celestine Cannon**, Food Services Division, LAMC, \$2,157 saved; **Sp4 Richard Schwarz**, US Army Communications Command, \$8,658; **Faye Evans**, Logistics Control Activity, \$2,600; and **Sp4 Robert Murray**, LAIR, \$56,735.

## \$16,700 collected

The Army Emergency Relief Campaign officially ends for the Presidio today. At press time there was a total of \$16,700 dollars collected with about 70 percent of that coming from retirees, according to the post AER officer. Although there was no projected monetary goal, this year's collections are expected to exceed that of last year. Money contributed to AER is used to assist Army members in times of emergency and hardship.

## PSF Fourth of July

The Fourth of July is a time for picnics, family outings and whatnot. This year, don't jump the gun. There may be more to do at the Presidio than anywhere else in the area. Some of the attractions planned include displays, aerial demonstrations, rides for the kids, a 50-gun salute, and a walkathon! Watch for more information about the gala events on the Presidio for the Fourth of July.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday**, June 16, Return From Witch Mountain (G), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, June 17, Return From Witch Mountain (G), 2 and 7 p.m.

**Sunday**, June 18, Julia (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, June 19, Suspiria (R), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, June 20, Boys in Company C (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, June 21, Boys in Company C (R), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, June 22, Here Come the Tigers (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

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**Thursday**, June 22, Up Your Alley (R), 7 p.m.

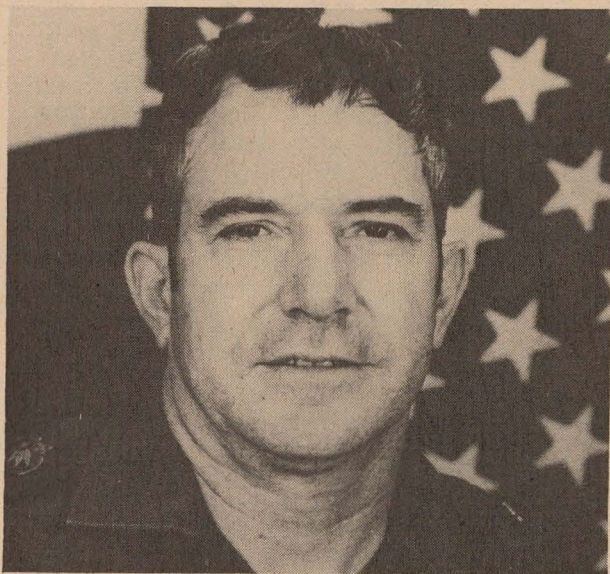
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**Monday**, June 19, Return From Witch Mountain (G), 7 p.m.

# Chief of Staff



B G Michael N. Bakarich

Joining the Sixth Army family on June 5 as the new Chief of Staff was Brigadier General Michael N. Bakarich.

Before coming to San Francisco, he had served since August 1974 with the 2nd Infantry Division in Korea. His positions there included: Commander, Division Artillery; Division Chief of Staff; Assistant Division Commander, Support; and Assistant Division Commander, Maneuver.

Brig. Gen. Bakarich, a native of Arizona, received his Bachelor's degree from the University of Oklahoma and his Master's from Pennsylvania State University.

With him on the Presidio are his wife Carolyn, a son who will be a sophomore this fall at the University of Arizona, and four recently adopted children.

# Crime Scene

In the last few weeks an above average number of privately owned cars have been broken into, especially in the Letterman Army Medical Center Parking Lot. Tape decks, radios, CB Radios and other valuables left inside cars appear to have motivated the thieves.

The Provost Marshal's Office recommends that car owners take precautions when parking for extended periods. If valuables must be left inside, lock them in the trunk. For cars that do not have trunks, a metal container secured to the frame that can be locked is recommended.

Tape decks and CB Radios should be mounted so that they cannot be seen from the outside of the car. The placing of speakers to the rear of the back seat gives good acoustics, but it also tells the world you have a stereo.

When parking during the hours of darkness, always select lighted areas and if possible the corner of intersections to give maximum visibility. Select areas which are frequently travelled by people. Before you depart always insure that the windows and doors of your car are secured.

If you should observe any unusual or suspicious activity, no matter how irrelevant you may think it is, phone your Presidio Desk Sgt., ext. 2251/2252/2253 and discuss the matter with him. If the situation requires an MP Patrol, he will dispatch one.

Military Police perform a community service and function at their best when the community seeks their assistance. The Military Police are concerned about your protection. Nobody should have to live in fear of becoming a larceny victim.

# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

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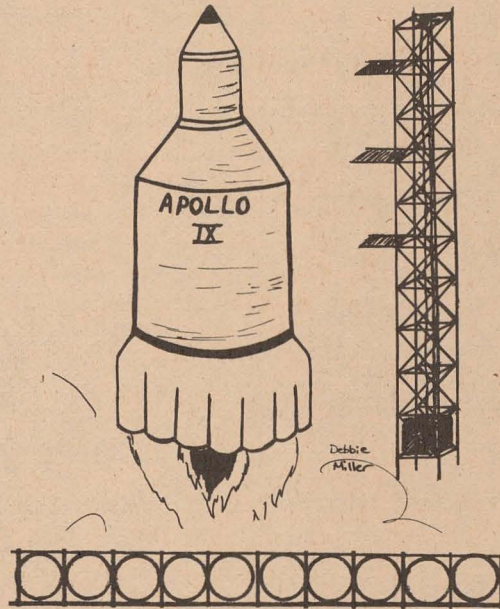
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ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S: UNION; HABIT; METRIC; BEAST; GUIDE.  
ANSWER: MOUNTAINS

It goes up in the Winter.



# ACTION L-I-N-E

Got a question, gripe or suggestion that can't be solved through the chain-of-command? Call our 24-hour Action Line phone at ext. 5463.

**Q.** We moved to Fort Barry about three months ago and I was wondering about the possibility of getting cable television here. I was also wondering about the fact that there are no lights in the tunnel entering the fort. There are traffic lights, but no lights in the tunnel itself, and it's very dark in there. There are people who walk through the tunnel (although they're not supposed to) and you simply can't see them. Thank you.

CW2 Arnold Pack

**A.** A new survey on the possibility of getting cable television (CATV) systems on PSF and sub-installations has been requested by DPCA. Previous surveys by DFAE indicated a high cost on the part of the government to let privately-owned lines into existing Government distribution lines. DFAE will consult FORSCOM and DA concerning your request.

The lights in the tunnel entering Fort Barry are supplied through a separate 4,160 volts direct burial cable which was damaged a few months ago. DFAE is still waiting for additional materials (special types) to restore power to the tunnel lights. As soon as the materials are received DFAE will immediately start the project. Thank you.

Edward W. Crane,  
Chief, Utilities Division, DFAE



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# MP saves accident victim

by Rebecca Hall

An accident victim was pulled from the water by Corporal Robert Jones, 2nd Plt., 170th MP Co., early Wednesday morning.

According to a witness, the car Dr. William Kerth was driving apparently went out of control, hit a guard rail on Lincoln Blvd. near Baker Beach, and flipped over the cliff.

Cpl. Jones, the first MP on the scene, noticed a man, apparently dazed, heading for the water. Jones then climbed down the cliff and pulled Kerth from the water.

He relates: "There was really no time to think. I got there, he was in the water. I yelled — he didn't hear me. So I went after him... he was over his head in the water and I had to fight him and the undertow to get him out."

Kerth was taken by Coast Guard helicopter to Baker Beach, transferred to an ambulance and taken to Letterman Army Medical Center, where he is listed in stable condition.

Said Jones, "I feel good about what I did. Especially here — it makes me feel I've earned my keep."



Cpl. Robert Jones, 170th MP Co., relates his story of the morning's rescue to Channel 2 commentator Mike O'Connor. (Photo by Dan Jackson.)

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# Soldiers — sailors for a day

by Rebecca Hall

Carrying a cane pole, a rusted can filled with worms, and whistling through a chipped tooth — you can almost see Huck Finn leaving the white-washing behind to enjoy the lazy afternoon while sitting on the bank of a gurgling stream.

If you transpose this picture to downtown San Francisco, it might look a little odd. The fact that there are

few, if any, gurgling streams in the city accounts for this.

Almost ten years ago, someone realized that a 'volunteer fishing program' would be an excellent and inexpensive opportunity to build a bridge of love between children and adults. The man who developed

the fishing idea was a policeman. His partners in the San Francisco Police Department latched on to the idea and fell for it - hook, line, and sinker.

Since the birth of the program, the number of children who participate grows and grows. The children come from the inner city, youth organizations, centers for the handicapped and other similar organizations.

As the number of children involved in the program increased, the Police Department realized that the number of chaperones needed to increase also. This was done by soliciting assistance from members of the Army. This year, almost 30 Presidio people volunteered to help make the fishing program a success.

The kick-off of the program took place last Tuesday as the "Wacky Jacky", carrying the girl anglers, and the "Captain Phil", escorting the boys, headed out into the Bay.

The boats embarked on a shared adventure that carried with it a 'spirit of competition'. Since this was the program's kick-off, the boys and the girls were trying to see who would catch the most fish. Whoever caught the most would be waited upon that evening by the losers. The losers had to cook the fish caught and serve the meal to the winning crew.

Though it was close, the boys ended up winning the competition, and the losing girls cooked and served the meal as agreed on.

According to the passengers of the boats, 12 of the girls suffered sea sickness, but the boys claim only three of their passengers lost their 'sea legs'.

The San Francisco Police Department Fishing Program will last through the summer. Boat fishing will take place Tuesdays through Fridays, while pier fishing at Lake Merced will be on Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays.

For more information about the San Francisco Police Department Fishing Program contact MSgt. Juan Fernandez at 561-4577.



Entering the harbor, the anglers of the "Wacky Jacky" proudly display the day's catch. (Photo by Dan Jackson.)



## New 6th Army Commander

The Secretary of Defense announced last week that the president has approved the nomination of Major General Eugene P. Forrester for assignment as Commanding General, Sixth United States Army, here, and appointment to the grade of Lieutenant General.

Subject to formal congressional approval, Maj. Gen. Forrester will succeed Lieutenant General Edward M. Flanagan, Jr., who retires officially on June 30 after more than 35 years in the Army.

Maj. Gen. Forrester is currently Commander, U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Ft. Sheridan, Ill.

## ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q.** When will the sump pit back of the former snack bar located on the commissary parking lot be cleaned out and maintained in a sanitary and safe condition? Grease, dirt and other material has accumulated with no evidence of policing having taken place. Also, the unused barracks northward appear to be in gross neglect.

**CW3 Frank R. Gore (Ret.)**

**A.** The area around the sump pit has been cleared out; the grass around the unused barracks will be mowed by Grounds Maintenance and the weeds around the former snack bar will be cleaned out also. Thank you for your concern and interest in the beautification of the Presidio.

**Gale B. Gregg**  
Acting Facilities Engineer

## Crime Scene

The sight of uniformed MPs, Investigators and Special Agents going door-to-door in the housing area usually means that an investigation is underway.

If you live in the Pershing Housing Area and you look out your window tomorrow, you might think you are witnessing a massive manhunt. Starting at 11 a.m., busloads of police will be knocking on doors throughout the day. They will be offering residents in quarters 1501 through 1713 an in-home crime prevention and security briefing. The briefing, which will be supplemented by instructive pamphlets, will cover topics of importance to Presidio residents, including Operation Identification, Home Alert, and Neighborhood Watch.

Residents are encouraged to ask questions and make use of this important opportunity to learn what they can do to protect themselves, their homes, and their families from crime. The briefing will be short, but the teams are interested in learning about criminal activity in the area, and any information you wish to share with them will be appreciated.

The Provost Marshal's Crime Prevention Section also welcomes your comments about the briefing's quality and helpfulness. Residents with comments or suggestions should call 561-5011 on the Monday following the briefing.

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Colonel John D. Hamilton, Sr., Commander

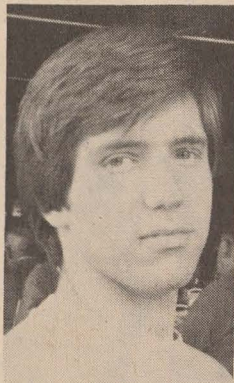
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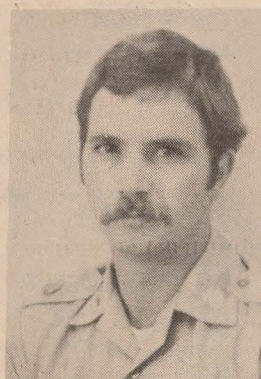
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## Ramblin' Sam



**Mr. John Bakarich, Student, son of Brig. Gen. Michael Bakarich** — "I served as President of my senior class. While serving as President, I sat on many planning councils. I devoted my time to many social functions. Also, I committed my time to act as team captain for our football team."



**Sp5 Rick Vineyard, Personnel Specialist, INSCOM** — "I've volunteered for community projects, involving myself with area improvement. Also, I worked with the Boy Scouts in Stuttgart, Germany."



**Mr. Steven Nakasoto, Student, son of Lt. Col. George Nakasoto** — "Yes, I have worked with a recycling group at George Washington High School. We collected newspapers, glass, and tin for recycling. I plan to continue this type of volunteer work."

**Have you ever done any volunteer work?**

**Sp4 Nadine Romero, Personnel Records Clerk, COMPACT** — "I was chairman of a carnival for the benefit of children with Muscular Dystrophy. I like helping others, especially handicapped children."



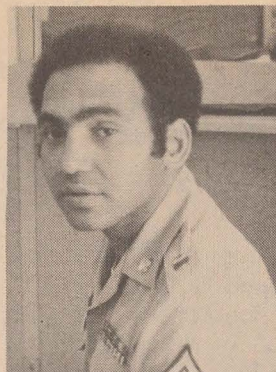
**Miss Roseanne Holt, Personnel Staffing Assistant, CPO** — "Yes, I worked with the USO." I worked on committees to entertain soldiers. We provided cookies, doughnuts, dances and games. I found this work very rewarding."



**Mrs. Corita Popyon, Records Clerk, COMPACT** — "Yes, I volunteered to work in the Dept. of Recreation with teenagers. We provided summer programs in the field of drama, dance, art and sports. Right now I am a volunteer EEO counselor, too. Working with people is very rewarding."



**SSgt. Johann Brown, Senior Service Sergeant, COMPACT** — "I have worked with children in the Boy Scout Program. I have moderated softball teams. Right now, I am moderating a women's softball team here on post."



New arrival for the 170th MP Co. is **Pvt. David Grigsby** from Ft. McClellan. Your command says - "Welcome!"

A whole new crew has arrived for duty at D Co., 864th Engrs. They are: **Pvts. Bobby Wiley, Gary Peffley, Richard Dunbar, Richard Kennedy, and Sgt. Richard Miley.**

Departures were: **Sgt. David Taylor** to Korea, and **Sp5 Erasmo Rodriguez** to Germany. **Sp4 James Bias** is ETSing to Idaho. Good luck to all of you!

Sad farewells were expressed by the **16th AG Postal** to **Sp4 Jacqueline Russell** who is ETSing to Atlanta.

From my home turf of **USAG**, **SSgt. Clude Kelly**, a stringer for this column, was proud to announce that his son is on his way to a hitch with the Air Force.

Well, that's it. Talk to you next week.

## TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk.

This week's words of wisdom are from John F. Kennedy — "Let us not be blind to our differences - but let us also direct attention to common interests and the means by which those differences can be resolved. And if we cannot end now our differences, at least we can help make the world safe for diversity." The word for the week is quarrel — "Quarrels would not last long if the fault were only on one side."

**HQ Sixth Region USCIDC** is celebrating the outstanding accomplishments of **CW2 Daniel Medrano** and **SFC Charles Wells** of the **San Francisco Field Office**. Both received their BAs in Administration of Justice from Golden Gate University on June 10.

The **163rd MP Co** honored **Willie Thomas** with a promotion to E-5. **Sgt. Ronald Brown** departed to Ft. Ben Harrison, Ind. Ron will be a recruiter when he completes his schooling at Ft. Ben.



# Salute:

## The highest form of military courtesy

In days of old, when knights were bold and the modern salute was not yet invented, the knight in shining armor would raise the visor on his helmet to pay recognition to those passing by.

In even more ancient times, a Roman tribune would slap his chest and raise his arm skyward (perhaps calling on the gods to smile on the individual being acknowledged) to greet those who passed by him. This was, in essence, their form of salute.

The modern salute is the highest form of military courtesy, a greeting and a sign of respect. But, once we get past basic training, there is a tendency in all of us to let "small courtesies", like saluting, fall by the wayside. Many, in both the enlisted ranks and the officer corps, share a lax attitude on the subject.

Numerous instances of enlisted soldiers who pass by officers without acknowledgement are part of the problem:



"I've been to 15 Army posts and I've never seen it this bad," commented SFC Donald Kinne of Headquarters, USAG. "Recently, I observed a private and a specialist four pass the post commander without saluting."

However, SFC Kinne is also aware of the other side of the problem: officers who don't return salutes. Many enlisted personnel interviewed mentioned this: they feel embarrassed and degraded when their saluting hand is left hanging, waiting for a return salute that never comes.

Perhaps being a peacetime Army has had a bad effect on attitudes toward patriotism and the uniform. Nevertheless, the tradition of saluting continues because it strengthens respect for authority and devotion to duty. As acting Command Sergeant Major Bart C. Brown explained, "Saluting and showing respect for officers is a part of the tradition of the military services. When one salutes an individual, he or she is not saluting the person, but the rank borne by the individual."

Another bone of contention on the subject of saluting is Retreat. Now, on the Presidio the cannon is sounded every afternoon at 5 p.m. Military custom dictates that all vehicles will stop, passengers will get out, pedestrians will stop, stand at attention, salute if in uniform or cross their hearts.

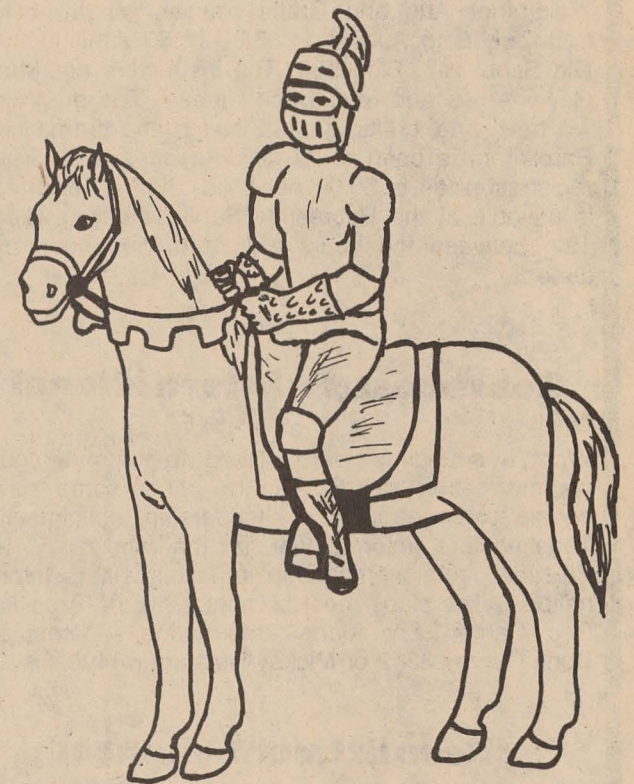
"At least 90 percent of military personnel here ignore military courtesy obligations during Retreat," said one 20-year-old soldier. "They do not salute the flag unless someone in authority is standing over them," he added.

Another person who feels Retreat is not being observed properly is SSgt. Claude Kelly, who was stationed in Baumholder, Germany until last September. "I'm disturbed by the lack of military respect during Retreat. It's a problem with generally everyone. They don't stop their cars and salute. I have seen cars drive by when the music is being played and the cannon goes off," Kelly stated.

Col. John D. Hamilton, Sr., Post Commander, is also concerned about the lack of military courtesy. "The military salute, and how it is rendered, is directly related to the pride the individual takes in being a soldier."

There is a problem here and the solution to it falls on each one of us in Army green. Pride in the uniform, and pride in our American heritage often seem on the decline.

As a solution to the problem, SSgt. Kelly recommends that those in authority start pressing the matter of saluting properly a little bit harder. Perhaps items in the Weekly Bulletin could be a beginning, he suggested.



Laziness and a lack of feeling toward the flag, according to Kelly, are problems of soldiers here. "Perhaps the soldier needs to be re-oriented to the military courtesy of saluting. One thing I am sure about," Kelly interjected, "is that we DO have a problem with this. It can be rectified, and I'll be glad to do my part."

CSM Brown feels the problem can be corrected over a period of time if respect for the flag, the military uniform, America and all they represent are more fully incorporated into training programs.

Pride...the key word. With rehabilitation of our pride and therefore our attitudes, once again military courtesy will show its face in all we do.

## Deer hunting

The Department of Fish and Game is concerned about the real possibility that a few people may cheat themselves of a chance to hunt deer in California this year.

The reason: despite public appeals for early decisions by hunters on when and where they intend to hunt, and distribution of 750,000 maps and regulations to 3,400 license agents, a number may not have gotten the word.

The "word" is that there is a significant change in the manner in which hunters must obtain their deer tags this year. Go into any store that sells hunting licenses — soon — and ask for a 1978 deer map. You don't have to buy anything to get it. Take the map home and study the regulations and zone boundaries. Decide whether to try for one or two bucks but remember that only one deer may be taken if you choose an "X" zone. Pick out a hunting area that's open on the dates you want, and look over the application instructions.

Return to the license agent, purchase applications for one deer tag (\$3) or two deer tags (\$8) and take them home to complete and mail. If you wish to participate in the drawing for bonus or exceptional opportunity hunts, make sure your application is into the Sacramento headquarters of Fish and Game by 5 p.m. June 30. Otherwise, figure on at least 15 days between the time your application arrives in Sacramento and when you receive a deer tag.

A valid California hunting license is required and, for those going out for the first time, successful completion of a safety training course.

## IG complaint?

How do you file an IG complaint? Should you start at the top? The bottom? The chain of command? What will you need when you get to an IG? When should you go?

To answer these questions and others, we have compiled the answers in step-by-step form. (Clip this if you wish for future reference.)

**STEP 1.** Be sure you have a genuine complaint. If it's a pet peeve, like doing motor stables or standing inspection, it isn't a complaint. Forget it and soldier on. If you need information you can't get elsewhere, then call your local IG at ext. 5311/5249. But if you have a real complaint, keep on reading.

**STEP 2.** Decide what action you want taken, then base your complaint on that problem alone. Don't cloud the issue with dozens of allegations and miscellaneous peeves that might slow the IG down in resolving your problem. (Keep in mind that the IG can't change regulations or command decisions just because you don't like them.)

**STEP 3.** Get evidence. Get the paperwork that's fouled up, get names of witnesses, a copy of your Article 15, or whatever documents the IG might need to straighten things quickly. Ironclad proof isn't required.

**STEP 4.** Make your chain of command aware of the problem. Make sure you tell them as much as you would tell the IG. Then give them a chance to work on the problem. In the long run it will save you time. If, for personal reasons, you feel that you absolutely can't talk to those in your chain of command about a problem, then go ahead and see the IG.



**STEP 5.** If your chain of command fails to solve your problem, then call the local (post or command) IG. Present the facts, not vague suspicions. Tell the whole truth; it will help solve your problem faster and keep you from being charged with making false statements. (Be prepared for the IG to tell you "no." You may have been wrong in the first place.) Afterwards, if you feel the local IG dealt with you unfairly, call The Inspector General, Department of Army, at (202) 695-1578.

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# News Break

## Arts and Crafts classes

Summer Arts and Crafts classes will be held from July 5 to August 11, 8:30-11:30 a.m., at the Girl Scout Hut, Bldg 566. The instructors are Mrs. Ginny Amos and Mrs. Cece Kinnan. The program will have arts, crafts, games, songs and dramatics. Enrollment is open to all children ages 6-12. The registration fee is \$5.00 per child. Sign up and fee is payable at the Recreation Services Office, Bldg 122, between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon by June 30.

## Toastmasters International

Want a sounding board? Need to improve your communication skills? Want to meet some new people? How about some leadership techniques? Toastmasters International is the answer. The Presidio offers membership in Toastmasters International. The clubs meet bi-monthly in the Presidio Rec Center. For further information — contact Doris Harvey 3342 or Mickey Heiberger 4490.

## Reenlistment change

Some reenlistment rules have changed. Under the old system a soldier had to get a score of 70 or higher on his MOS test to qualify for reenlistment. Now, however, the Skill Qualification Test (SQT) will be the guiding reenlistment light if it is available.

Here's how things stand now: first termers and some of those eligible for a Selective Reenlistment Bonus (SRB) must achieve 60 percent or higher on the SQT. If you fail to make the 60 percent, however, you can still be extended for up to 12 months for additional training and retesting.

If no SQT is available then the Reenlistment Qualification Test (RQT) will be given. Soldiers must attain the minimum passing raw test score. Only one retesting is permitted.

The criteria is basically the same for career soldiers, though the RQT is not used. Instead, if no SQT is available for a career soldier, his qualification will be determined by his last Enlisted Evaluation Score, which must be 70 or higher.

## Ed Center news

The LAMC Education Center (Bldg 1007, 2nd floor) serves primarily the personnel of the hospital and LAIR, who have differing educational needs from the other military personnel assigned to the various commands on the Presidio.

The LAMC Center is open from 7-30 a.m.-4:15 p.m., Monday thru Friday. Counselors are most often available for "walk-in" business with a minimal waiting period, but appointments can be made by calling 4030/3693. Instructors are available between 9 a.m. and 4 p.m., both at the Center and at the individual students' "work site" when necessary.

## The Century Plant



This unusual plant, which only blooms every ten years cannot be found on the Ecology Trail. It can only be viewed on Presidio Blvd.

## Three activities merge

Three post activities were merged this week to form the new Human Resource Development Division (HRDD). The former Human Relations Division, Organizational Effectiveness Office, and the Alcohol and Drug Abuse Program were reorganized as branches under the leadership of Lt. Col. Jerry Parker, the new division chief. Each branch will maintain its separate identity and personnel, but all will be located together in Building 909 after Thursday.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, June 23, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 24, A Boy Named Charlie Brown (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, June 24, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, June 25, Coma (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 26, Coma (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 27, Rolling Thunder (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 28, You Light Up My Life (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 29, Blue Collar (R), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, June 23, Return From Witch Mountain (G), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 26, Julia (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, June 27, Suspiria (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, June 28, Boys In Company C (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, June 29, Here Come the Tigers (PG), 7 p.m.

### OAKLAND ARMY BASE

Friday, June 23, Boys In Company C (R), 7 p.m.

Saturday, June 24, Julia (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, June 26, Close Encounters of the Third Kind (PG), 7 p.m.

**JULIA (PG)** Based on the true story of a friendship which suddenly became a matter of life and death. Jane Fonda plays the famous playwright Lillian Hellman, who, during the thirties, embarked on a tense, dangerous assignment through Germany on the brink of World War II. Some elements of violence may not be suitable for children.

**SUSPIRIA (R)** Dancer Jessica Harper goes to Germany to further her ballet studies. When she learns the school is a witches coven, she is in grave danger.

**RETURN FROM WITCH MOUNTAIN (G)** A flying saucer lands in the Rose Bowl and a brother and sister disembark. Inhabitants of Witch Mountain, a community of extra-planetary people, they are on vacation to see what life is like in a large city.

**THE BOYS IN COMPANY C (R)** It's June 1967. A diverse group of men gather at an Armed Forces Induction Center in Los Angeles. Included is a naive farmboy, a draft dodger, a UCLA golf team member, an aspiring writer and a street-wise dude.

# SNAFU

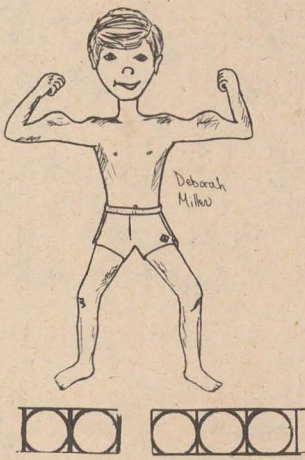
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

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It can keep growing without nourishment.

ANSWERS TO LAST WEEK'S: INJECT; COLOR; FASTER; TASTE; HAMPER.  
ANSWER: THERMOSTAT

## Fourth of July



Fourth of July visitors to the Presidio will have the opportunity to view Major Bruce Wicks and his parachute demonstration team from Antioch, Calif. The team will perform a number of sky-diving exhibits during the day. Wicks, flying a para-commander, is one of the top accuracy jumpers in the Bay Area. The sky-diving exhibit is one of many Fourth of July events visitors can enjoy.



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## Fourth of July, 1978



Editorial

Pat on the back

by Frank Noto

Somebody here must be doing something right; Presidio commander Colonel John D. Hamilton, Sr., passed on that good news to the post recently, citing some refreshing new statistics.

The statistics show a marked change for the better this year in the areas of morale and discipline. The number of IG (Inspector General) complaints, a reasonably reliable barometer of soldier dissatisfaction, is at a much lower level now than last year, as are complaints against commanders under Article 138. The AWOL rate, another traditional morale indicator, is also down considerably from past years.

On the punishment side of the fence, military-related offenses are on the downswing too, with courts-martial, in particular, becoming rare.

Colonel Hamilton attributed the good news to improvements in communication and better leadership by officers and NCOs. According to him, supervisors here are looking after their people better and taking a greater interest in solving their problems.

Statistics don't tell everything, however; positive changes in the personal appearance of Presidio soldiers are also evident. Further proof of improvement comes from recent visitors, including retired general officers, who have complimented post units on their good form at recent parades. Sometimes these sort of changes can be more indicative of good morale than mere numbers.

We think it's impressive that morale and discipline are up in spite of rumors and fears about reduction or realignment of the post. Keep your chin up, Presidio!

Crime Scene

The Fourth of July is a day of fun on the Presidio; but it is also a day for caution. We ask that all people, regardless of whether you are visiting or whether you are residents, to pay particular attention to your automobiles.

Please insure that the doors are locked and that no valuables are left unattended. In the event that you should observe a theft in progress, be a good neighbor and report it immediately to the Military Police at Ext. 2251/2252/2253. All information will be handled in a confidential manner.

The Military Police wish everyone a happy Fourth of July at the Presidio.

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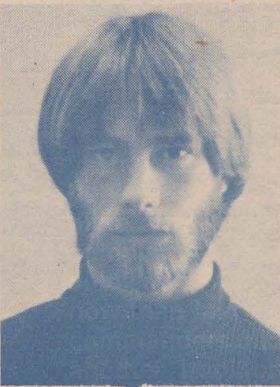
Ramblin' Sam



What has been America's greatest accomplishment in the last 202 years?



Maj. Bob Murff, Adjutant, Readiness Region IX — "I feel that the greatest accomplishment has been America's progress towards providing equal opportunity for all. Without this effort, America could not have survived."



Mr. Dean Hatten, Personnel Specialist, Welcome Center — "America's rise from being an offshoot of the British Empire to becoming the most powerful nation in recorded history. This feat is something that took other nations longer to do."

Ms. Karen Toole, Personnel Clerk, CPO — "In my opinion, Rock and Roll music has been America's greatest accomplishment. It is the only true creative form of music that has been created in this country."



Maj. Fenton Ray, USAR Adv DCSOPS, Sixth Army — "That the individual has the right to develop his or her own potential in the field of his or her own choosing. I think it's great that a person has the freedom to be what he wants to be."



Mr. James Corum, Ch, Housing Div — "Our form of government is the most profound accomplishment in the last 202 years. Americans have the greatest amount of freedom, justice and individual protection in the world. We have the best form of government there is."



Sp5 Tommy Marshall, AG Distribution — "The greatest accomplishment people can achieve is to be able to work together and live together in harmony. Since America has not reached that level - I feel that America has not accomplished anything great."

Mrs. Pamela Boyer, Accounting Clerk, Moral Support Fund — "I think it is that women have become more equal. Women have been given more opportunity towards holding better jobs. They have been allowed to progress in the fields of intellectual pursuit. Women have not only been given the opportunity to be heard, I feel they have a true say in the country's affairs."



SSgt. Tom Riblett, Radio Traffic Analyst, Readiness Rgn IX — "Our ability to utilize the sea and our natural resources. We've just started to progress in this type of work, but America can be glad that it has realized that there is so much to develop here on our earth, rather than reach out to the worlds beyond."



MSgt. George Hogan, Ch, Enlisted Advisor, Civil Affairs, Readiness Rgn, IX — "Maintaining freedom. We have maintained freedom throughout the years, even resorting to war to do so. Even slavery was overcome. This country was founded on the premise that freedom was necessary in this life. I believe that America will always preserve freedom."



PFC Daniel Richardson, Records Clerk, COMPACT — "Going to the moon. The trip to the moon has opened up a whole new world for electronics and mathematics. It has shown what man can accomplish."



# What's happening the Fourth

Sky Divers, sentry dog demonstrations, the cheerleaders for the San Jose Earthquakes, a Soviet Equipment display, and hundreds more items of military hardware. They are all part of the Open House scheduled here for July 4, from 11:30 a.m. until 6 p.m.

The festivities open with a concert by the Sixth Army Band beginning at 11:30 a.m. at the Pershing Square flagpole followed by a 50-gun salute honoring each of the states.

Other scheduled activities throughout the day will include helicopter rappelling by members of the 3rd Battalion of the 12th Special Forces Group — an Army Reserve unit headquartered at Hamilton Air Base; a sky-diving demonstration; Air Force sentry dogs; an Air Force drill team from Travis Air Force Base and concerts by the 91st Division Pipe Band, the Navy Band, San Francisco from Treasure Island and the Sixth Army Band and Jazz Combo.

Other activities, displays and demonstrations available to the holiday visitor throughout the day will include demonstrations by the Presidio parachute riggers and displays of all Army parachutes; a wide variety of helicopters from the Army, Navy, Air Force and Coast Guard to include an Army gunship at Crissy Field; a display of massive heavy engineering equipment by the 864th Engineer Battalion and a 'public works engineering' display by the 51st Engineer Detachment. Members of the Presidio Composite Flight of the Civil Air Patrol will be on hand as guides and to provide information to visitors.

Other activities designed to keep the visitors attention will be a tactical field Post Office, operated by the 16th AG Detachment (Postal) that will issue souvenir post cards; and a remote Military Affiliate Radio Station (MARS) short-wave unit operated by the communications command that will be available to send messages to military friends and relatives overseas; recruiting displays from all of the Armed services; and a wide variety of military hardware and equipment from Fort Ord, Calif.

Items of hardware and weaponry being supplied by Fort Ord will range in scope from a .45 caliber pistol display to a M-60 battle tank. A display of Soviet arms and equipment will include uniforms, individual weapons, missiles and tanks.

Army Law Enforcement units will also be on hand with the 504th Military Police Battalion operating a replica of their "learning center" where they become proficient in 'hands on'; a display of standard Military Police vehicles by the 170th Military Police Company; a tactical (combat) equipment display by the 402nd Military Police Company and the Presidio and San Francisco Fire Departments will combine their efforts in a display of rescue equipment.

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**Aeronautic enthusiasts will have the opportunity to learn the intricacies of military aircrafts.**

Jeep rides will be available primarily for the younger set and the Military Police will sponsor a walk-a-thon from Crissy Field to Fort Point and then over the Golden Gate Bridge to Fort Baker. Those completing the walk will be presented a certificate and be transported back to the Presidio by military vehicles.

For the accomplished girl-watcher — the "Shakers", cheerleaders for the San Jose Earthquake professional soccer team, will be on hand.

Also available all day will be movies depicting activities of all of the armed services shown at the post theatre; historical tours of the Presidio and the Pres-

idio Museum will be open with members of the staff dressed in and displaying period military uniforms.

The Presidio will provide shuttle buses to move visitors from the main post display area to the Crissy Field display site and return.

Concession stands will be open at various locations.

Admission is free to all of the activities and plenty of free parking is available. For those wishing to utilize public transportation, the Presidio is served by Muni lines 43, 28 and 45.

## The birth of a Nation

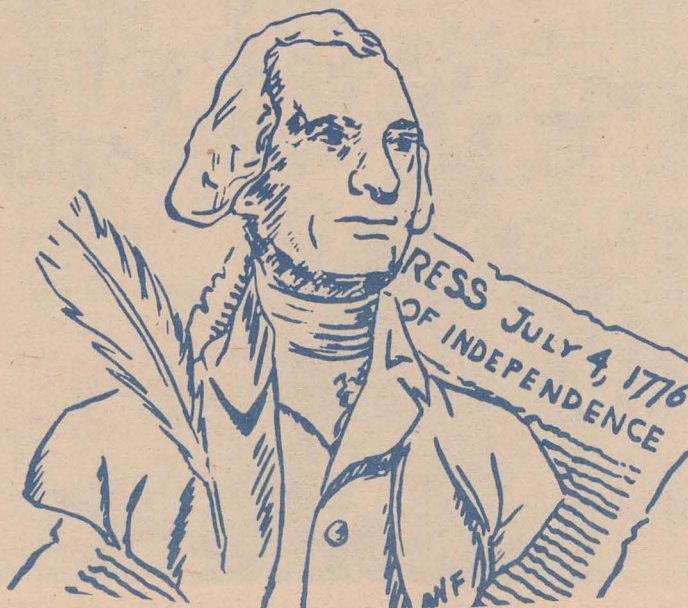
by Rebecca Hall

When it all began, no one really intended for one day to have such impact. But, impact it did, and still does have: the Fourth of July is a day famous in the annals of mankind.

What took place on this day was the adoption of the Declaration of Independence from the mother country, England. July 4, 1776 was the day which heralded the birth of our country.

It was on June 7 of that year that Richard Henry Lee introduced into Congress a resolution "...that these United Colonies are...free and independent states...." This resolution came up again on June

10 and a committee was selected, including Thomas Jefferson, John Adams, Benjamin Franklin, Philip Livingston and Roger Sherman.



Consideration of this resolution was postponed for three weeks because all of the colonies were not ready to vote for independence.

On June 28 a rough draft of the Declaration (written by Jefferson) was presented. Few changes were made, and the debate on whether or not to accept this resolution continued. Finally, late on the afternoon of July 4, 1776, when the daylight was fading, a vote was taken. Of the 13 colonies, New York abstained from voting, Pennsylvania and South Carolina voted No; Delaware was divided, but nine other colonies voted independence into existence.

On this, the 202nd birthday of the country we serve, remember the words from the Liberty Bell, which was rung to celebrate our first birthday: "Proclaim Liberty Throughout All the Land Unto All the Inhabitants Thereof."



## 202 years in the making...



Youngsters will have the opportunity to line up the sights of a 50 cal. machine gun mounted on the Army's Armored Personnel Carrier such as this one when they visit the Presidio during Fourth of July activities.



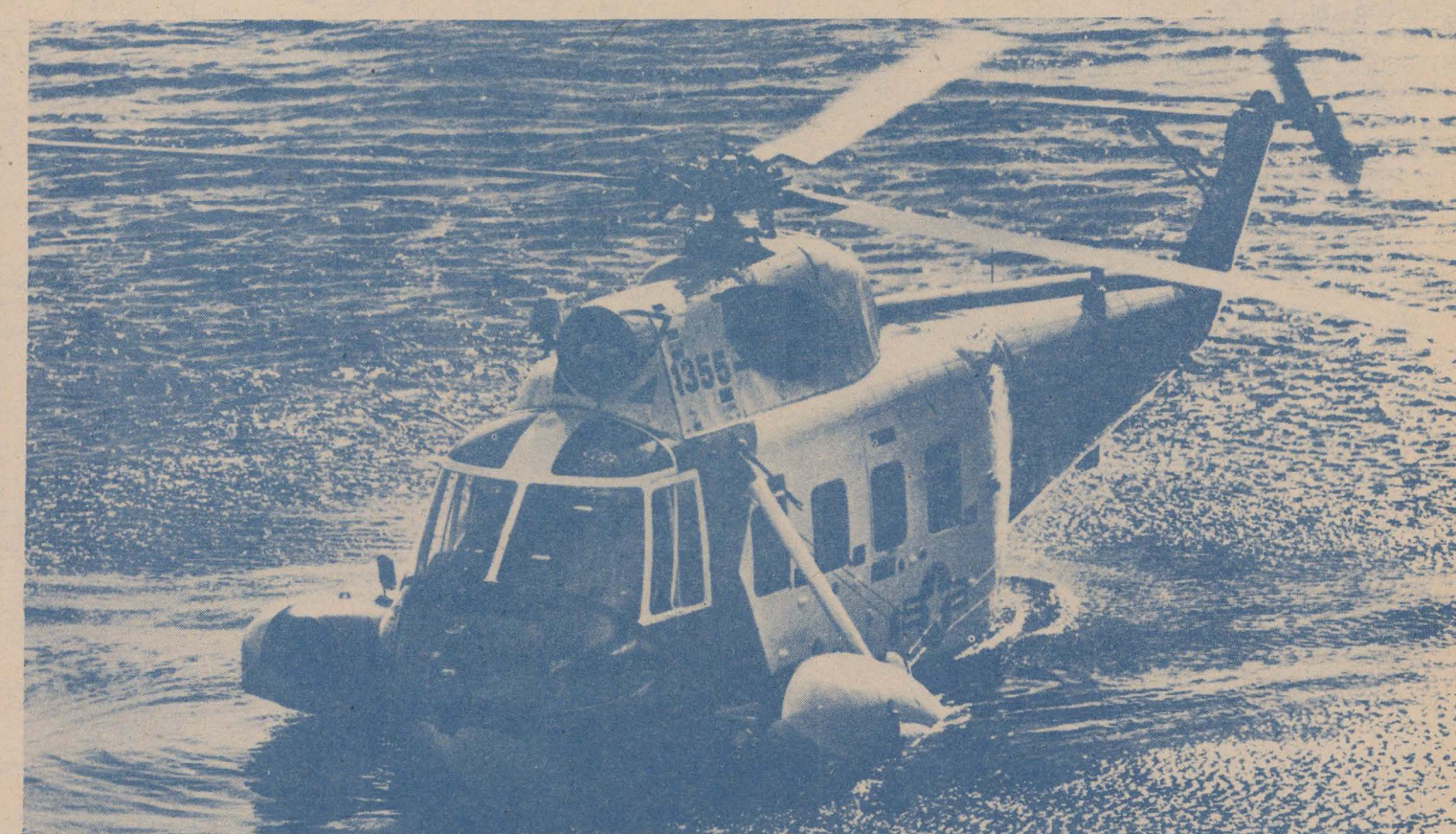
Dramatic scenes like this one are often part of the Coast Guard's Air-Sea Rescue operations.



Demonstrations of the handling of Sentry Dogs will also be a part of the Open House.



This M-60 tank, equipped with the TOW Anti-Tank Rocket System promises to be a favorite with young and old alike during Fourth of July festivities here.



The Coast Guard's Air-Sea Rescue Helicopter will be one of many on display at Crissy Field during the Open House.



# The Presidio...then...now...

by Rebecca Hall

Known to many as the "perfect duty station", the Presidio is a place of quiet beauty. It affords a tranquil setting for picnics, thinking problems through or unwinding after a tense day. This is how we see the post now. But, this wasn't always so....

In 1776 the **San Carlos**, a Spanish ship, entered the Bay. Those on board were assigned the task of deciding whether or not this barren, sandy area was suitable for a settlement. Deciding it was, Lt. Jose Moraga, the first Commandant, began cultivating the area for a military installation.

The "Presidio", or fort, was built to protect the Bay area. Shaped as an enclosed rectangle, 100 yards long, with walls 14 feet high and five feet thick, the Presidio was an austere adobe landmark.

Life during those early years was filled with frontier hardships. Then, to add fuel to already existing problems, Spain was losing power in Europe and New Spain (Mexico) was striving for its independence. With these additional problems to contend with, Spain stopped sending supplies to the Presidio.

Mexico gained its independence in 1822, and with it, territorial rights to the Presidio. Finding it difficult to make a go of settling here, the Mexicans almost abandoned the fort, leaving only a few soldiers, and moved north to Sonoma.

In 1845, Americans under John Fremont and Kit Carson 'spiked' the cannons protecting the entrance to the Bay with rat-tail files, leaving them useless. The door was open for Americans to take possession of the installation.

One year later, 1846, the first American troops settled here. They were the First New York Volunteer Regiment.

For three years things went well. Then, in 1849 the Gold Rush began. Soldiers went AWOL, or deserted, to try their hands in the mines.

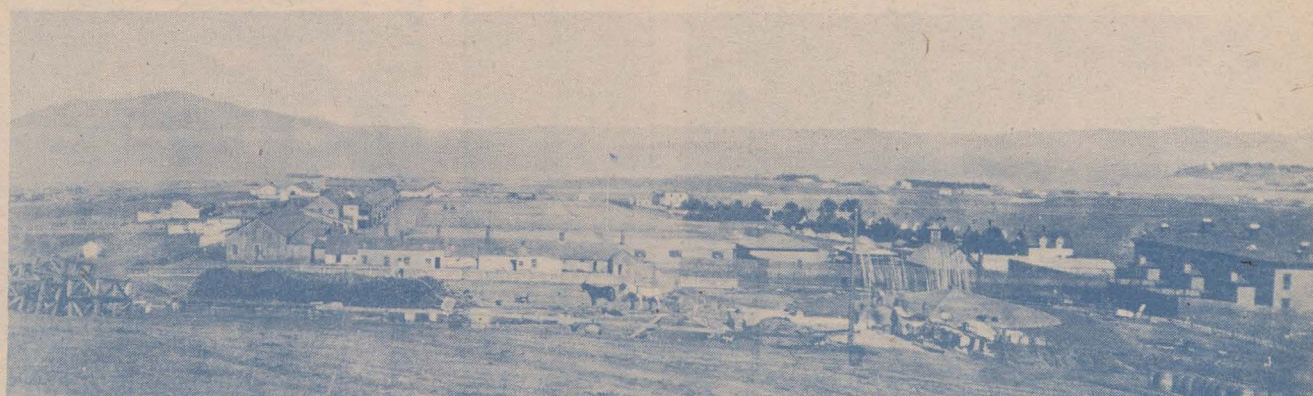
Realizing that "Gold Fever" was difficult to fight, the government made an agreement with the soldiers; if they came back, they could work four days for the Army and three in the mines, panning gold.

It was in 1880 that a reforestation program began with the help of local school children. On Arbor Day, the children planted almost 60,000 trees here, 40,000

of which remain today. This program, which is still in effect, though in a revised form, helped turn the Presidio from the barren, wind-blown area it was into the landscaped beauty it now is.

Each building, each tree, each landmark has its own story. History oozes from the very cracks of the buildings. And if they could talk, if only they could talk, we would be able to share experiences never before dreamed.

If you wish to know more about the Presidio, its history and its future, guided tours are available of the Post and the Museum.



When the first settlers arrived at the Presidio, the barren land presented a tremendous challenge.

## Captured Soviet weapons display

A variety of captured Soviet weapons and equipment will be on display here as one of the many attractions offered to visitors during the Independence Day Open House festivities.

Much of the Soviet weaponry was captured by the Israeli Armed Forces during the various wars that have engulfed the Mid-East.

Also included will be the B-10 recoilless gun; scale models and mockups of various Soviet equipment; a BMP Infantry fighting vehicle; the SA-7 "Grail" guided missile launcher; the Sagger missile and launcher along with printed displays of Soviet equipment and Soviet produced posters and recorded Soviet music.

Personnel accompanying the display will be dressed in Soviet Military uniforms and will be available to answer visitors' questions on the weapons and equipment.

The huge display is being transported to the Presidio by six military and two civilian vehicles and is expected to be one of the major attractions at the Presidio Open House.

Some of the more impressive items will be the T-54 medium tank with the 12.7 and 7.62 mm machine guns and the T-62 tank.

Other items making up the display will be the BTR-60PB armored personnel carrier equipped with 14.5 and 7.62 mm machine guns; Soviet small arms; the AK-47 assault rifle; the PKM and RPD machine guns, an 82 mm mortar and the RPG-2 and RPG-7 rifle grenades.

## De Anza art exhibition

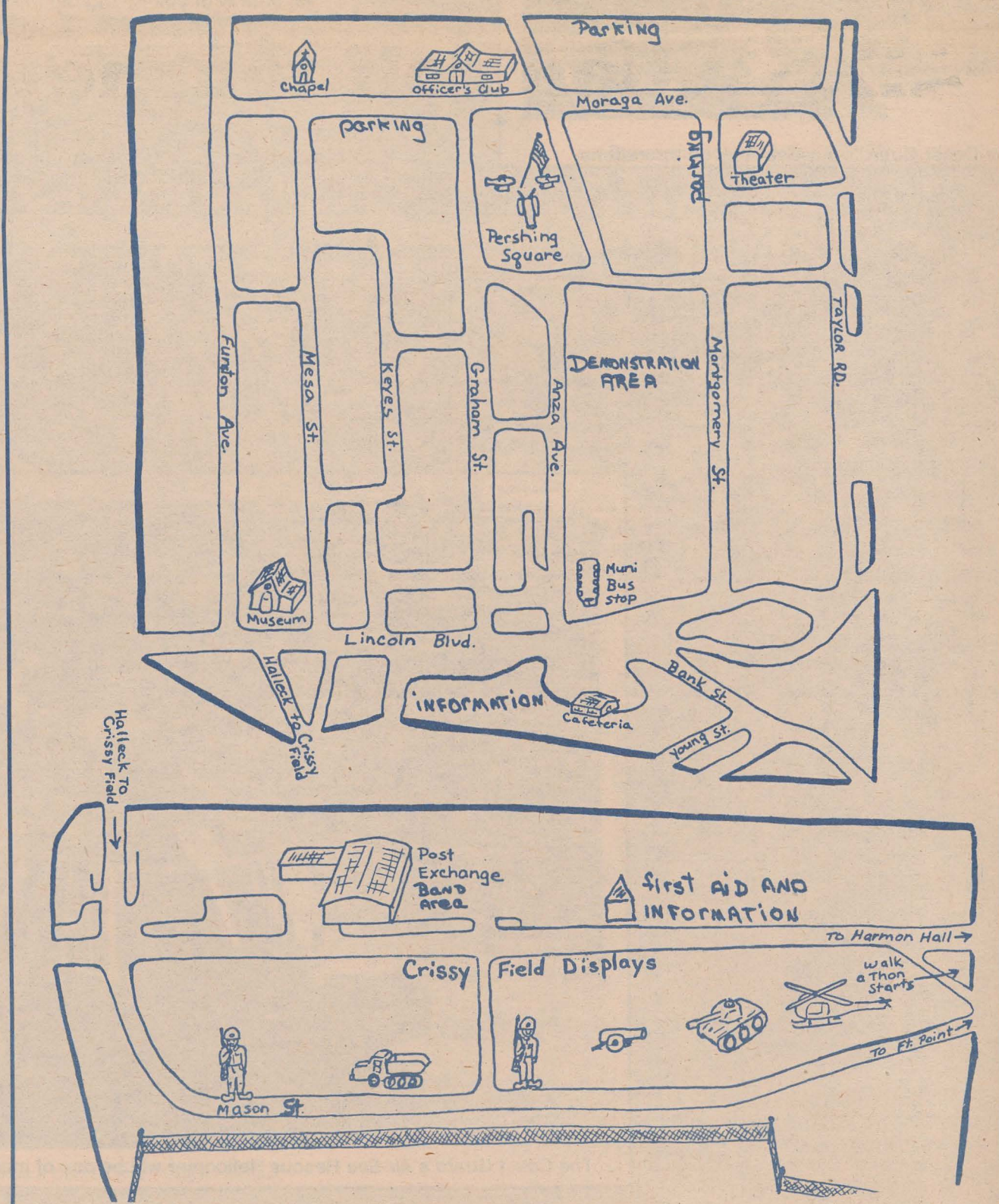
The Presidio Army Museum will host its first oil painting exhibition June 29 through July 29.

Theresa Potter, the artist making her debut in the Bay Area, selected fifteen scenes from the 1775-1776 De Anza Expedition as subjects for her one-person show. This exodus, which began in present-day Mexico, culminated in the establishment of Mission Dolores and the Presidio of San Francisco some 202 years ago.

The one month show will coincide with San Francisco's annual birthday celebration, an event traditionally held June 29 in commemoration of the De Anza party's successful arrival in 1776. A ribbon cutting ceremony will open the show at 2:30 p.m., immediately following the main birthday luncheon at the Presidio Officers' Club.

This will be one of the many displays available to visitors at the Presidio Open House, July 4.

## From here to there





Thrift Shop:

Beads...bangles...banjos...  
and the like

by Phil Bernal

If you're looking for an old necklace, books, clothes or even some house plants and don't have a lot of money, then you would probably think of a flea market to fulfill your needs.

Many Presidio personnel are familiar with the San Jose or Marin County flea markets, yet there is one market on the Presidio which many should be aware of. The name of the market is the "Presidio Thrift Shop".

The Thrift Shop, located by the Main Gate Entrance, has its own characteristics when comparing it to other, similar operations. Most of the items for sale are on a consignment basis. In registering something for sale, an individual sets the price and the shop gets twenty percent for handling the display and sale of the item.

Another characteristic is that you can shop at the Thrift Shop even if you are short of cash. If you see an item you want, you can have the staff put a hold on the item. The "hold" is good until one p.m. the next day.

The operation is almost entirely staffed by volunteers. Various groups are responsible for staffing the shop each day of its operation. In fact, the Board of Directors consists mainly of representatives from each group of volunteers who work with the shop.

Even though most of the items are sold on a consignment basis, a good number of items are donated to the Thrift Shop. Consignment items not claimed by their owners are automatically property of the Shop and are reduced in sale price and sold, with the entire proceeds going to the Thrift Shop.

An item on consignment can be left for sale for as long as sixty days before it needs to be claimed by the owner. A small handling charge of twenty-five cents per item is charged if an item doesn't sell in the sixty days.

The funds collected from the sales are distributed by the Thrift Shop Board of Directors and most go to the Presidio Youth Activity program, even though other charitable organizations have benefited from funds from the Shop.

Also, "anyone" can buy from the Thrift Shop, but only those directly connected with the Presidio can sell items on consignment.

Just about everything imaginable can be found sometime or another in the Shop. Items are displayed in specific areas so that shoppers can lo-

cate them easily. The hours of operation are: Monday, Tuesday and Thursday, 10 a.m. to 2 p.m, and the first Saturday of each month 10 a.m. to one p.m.

If you're looking for a household item and want to save some money, or need to get rid of an unused item, the Thrift Shop can be your answer. Why drive to San Jose when there is a Thrift Shop here? As one of the staff members put it, "It's your Thrift Shop, Use It."



# All civilian golf tourney

The Fourth Annual PSF All Civilian Employees Golf Tournament will be held on July 27. Tee-off time is 8 a.m.

The Calloway System of handicapping will be used. Established handicaps or average scores should be submitted with entry fee registration.

Foursomes will be established by the use of the submitted handicaps or average scores in order to keep foursome play at comparable skill level. However, if desired and scheduled ahead of time, foursomes will be registered regardless of individual handicaps.

The tournament entry fee will be \$15.00, which will include the green fee and prize money. Entry fee for members of Presidio Golf Course will be

\$7.00 (no green fee charge). Golf carts will be available at additional cost. Carts should be reserved ahead of starting times.

Tournament prizes will be awarded for low medal score, hole-in-one, (closest to hole) and for 1st, 2nd, 3rd and 4th prize, Calloway system.

A complimentary golf ball will be given each entrant. Depending on tournament participation, additional prizes may be awarded.

Advance sign-up is mandatory, unless other arrangements are made with the sign-up committee. Registration cut-off is July 25.

For further information, and reservations, please contact Mac Roberts or John Sergeant, Ext. 2255 or Art Akina, Ext. 2405.

# FORSCOM tennis results

Eighty-seven of the Army's top tennis players from west of the Mississippi River participated in the US Forces Command Western Region 1978 Tennis Tournament held here last week.

Top finishers for the Presidio were **Sue Goulding**, LAMC, and **Gloria Melendez Ramos**, LAIR, who lost in the final championship round of the Women's Doubles division. In the Women's Singles division, Goulding advanced to the second round of play before being eliminated by the eventual champion of the division, **Schneider**, from Fort Carson.

In the men's single divisions, **Thomas Egan**, LAMC, advanced to the third round of the Junior Vet Single Division before being eliminated by the eventual champion of that division. Also losing to an even-

tual division champion was **John Messe**, Sixth Army, who got as far as the third round of the Senior Singles before being eliminated. In the Open Singles division, **Ronald Johnson**, LAMC, played his way to the second round before losing a close match.

Others representing the Presidio were **Lynn Rasmussen**, Sixth Army, who, with Egan, advanced to the second round of the Junior Vet Doubles division and **Jack Osteen**, Sixth Army, who in the Senior Singles division advanced to the second round. In the Open Singles division, the Presidio was also represented by **John Bricker**, LAMC, **Richard Bristow**, USAG, and **Willie Sessions**, LAMC.

The week long tournament was played on all the courts located throughout the Presidio.

## CDR's Golf Tourney

The 1978 Commander's Golf Tournament, 36 holes, was held June 14 and 15, with **Jimmy Steinbaugh** (Seniors) and **Fred Glenister** (Open) winning their divisions.

Top players in this tournament will be eligible for the Post Team which will play in the Western Region FORSCOM Golf Championship at Ft. Dix, N.J., July 17 through 21. The top two finishers in each division and their scores are as follows:

| SENIOR                         |     |
|--------------------------------|-----|
| Jimmy Steinbaugh, USAG         | 151 |
| Roland Whitecliff, 6th Reg CID | 159 |
| OPEN                           |     |
| Fred Glenister, 864th Engrs    | 164 |
| Clarence Nakatsukasa, 6th Army | 166 |

## Softball standings

| Presidio League      | Won | Lost |
|----------------------|-----|------|
| 504th MP Bn          | 12  | 0    |
| ARR IX               | 6   | 1    |
| USACC                | 9   | 3    |
| 402d MP Co           | 8   | 3    |
| USAG                 | 7   | 6    |
| 93rd MI Bn           | 6   | 5    |
| 170th MP Co          | 3   | 8    |
| 864th Engrs          | 3   | 9    |
| 16th Postal          | 2   | 9    |
| WRRC                 | 0   | 12   |
| San Francisco League | Won | Lost |
| FBI                  | 11  | 1    |
| LAMC #2              | 10  | 2    |
| LAIR #1              | 9   | 3    |
| 666th Radar Sqdn     | 7   | 4    |
| LAMC #1              | 4   | 7    |
| LAIR #2              | 4   | 7    |
| DENTAC               | 3   | 7    |
| US Attorneys         | 3   | 8    |
| USPHS                | 0   | 12   |







# The water's fine, but . . .

story and photo by Ted Elisee

Sergeant Frank Jones, NCOIC of the Welcome Center, is a fairly good swimmer, or so he thought, until the night of July 5, 1978. On that night, Sgt. Jones was saved from drowning by Noli Manas, lifeguard at Pool #2.

Said Sgt. Jones, "I wouldn't be here for this interview today, if it wasn't for my man Noli." When asked how he got himself in a drowning situation, Jones said, "Believe it or not, I can swim fairly well. I just decided that it was time for me to try and jump off a diving board. I had never jumped off one before. I hit the water the wrong way. My face and head hurt and I panicked."

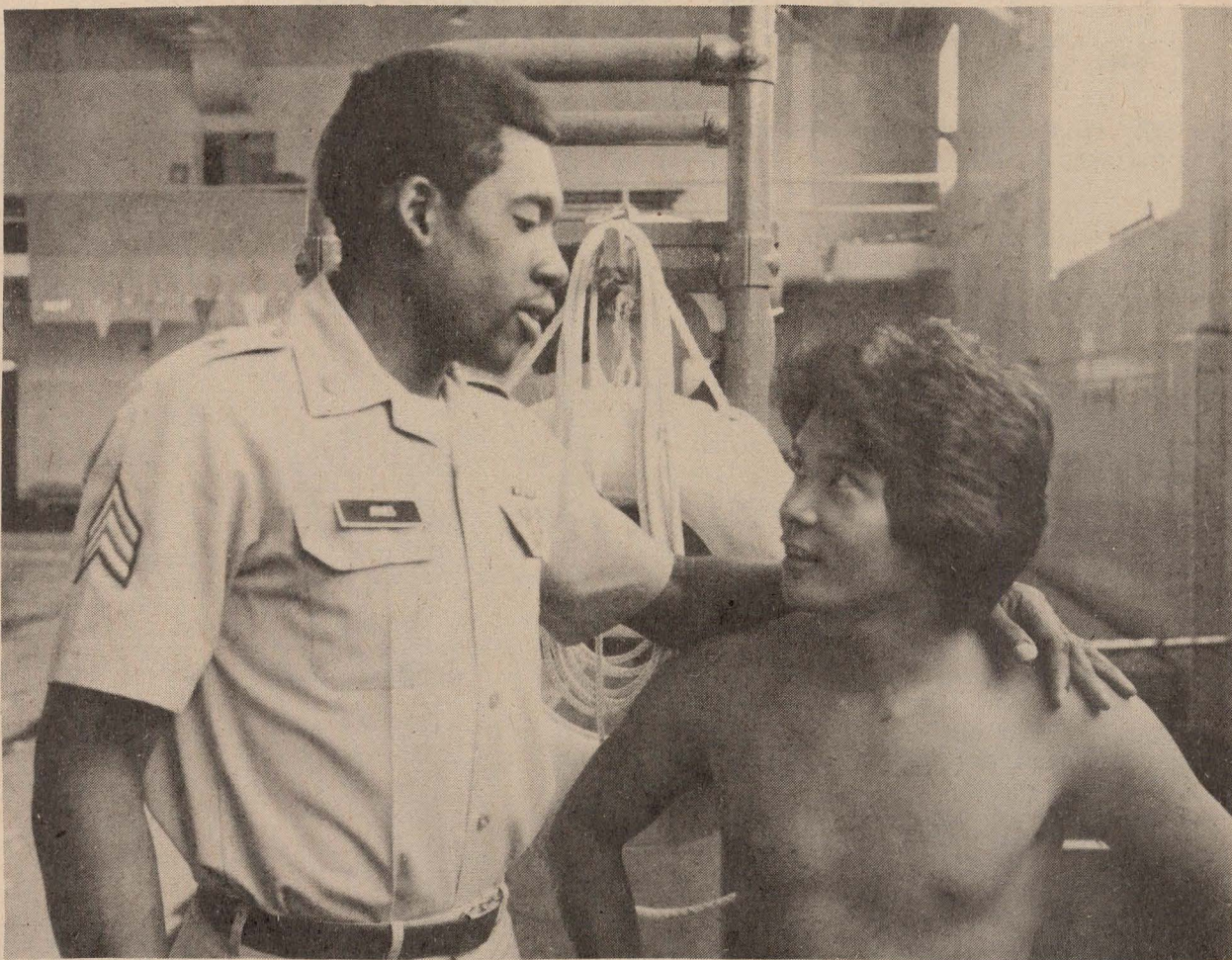
Said Manas, "I was watching him, but I thought he was alright. He didn't appear to be in trouble at first."

But Jones was, in fact, in trouble: he just couldn't control himself after the dive. First he called for his wife. She tried to come to his aid, but had a problem controlling her husband's panic. Said Jones, "I just wasn't confident that my wife could support me. I panicked even further and grabbed on to her neck. She went under the water, too."

Somehow Mrs. Jones was able to break away from him and call a lifeguard for assistance. Said Manas, "It was happening very fast. In fact, it was difficult to tell Jones was really in trouble. There were a lot of kids in the water around him, and it looked like everyone was playing, even Jones and his wife."

It didn't take Manas long to realize the seriousness of the situation. In a flash, he was in the water and at Jones' side. Once again Jones panicked and grabbed Manas. Manas remained calm and yelled - "Relax!" This did the trick and Jones fell into his arms exhausted. Lifeguard Noli Manas then led Frank to safety.

Said Manas, "I was scared, but I knew it was my job to help him. I'm glad I did."



With a special pat-on-the-back, Sgt. Frank Jones thanks Noli Manas again for saving his life.

When asked whether he would ever go swimming again, Jones replied, "Sure, I'm going to go again on Monday." Manas smiled and said, "Yeah, and I'll watch him closely."

In closing, Sgt. Frank Jones smiled at Noli Manas and said, "Hell, if I had realized you were this small, I'd have panicked when you tried to save me, too."

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# The parking lot blues

by Ted Elisee

"Hey Specialist, you're in my parking spot," said the older government worker.

"Whatta ya mean your parking spot? Are you kiddin'?" said the specialist.

"No, I'm not kidding. That spot is designated as a reserved spot. Can't you read what's painted on the ground?" added the civilian.

"On the ground? Where? I don't see anything on the ground" the military man replied. "Well, it was marked before, and if you don't believe that the spot's reserved, you can check with the MPs."

The specialist did, in fact, check with the MPs. He found that he had been in a parking spot reserved for the civilian deputy chief of a directorate with whom he had argued. And the faded "RESERVED" marking there has since been repainted.

If you've ever had a similar experience, you may be wondering just what the Presidio's parking policy is, who is in charge of it, and how it actually works.

The man with the answers is Sgt. Terry Waggoner, NCOIC of Vehicle Registration at the Provost Marshal's office, who has been assigned the task of overseeing the parking plan for the entire Presidio complex. Judging by the amount of paperwork and maps covering the walls and desk of Sgt. Waggoner's office, it would appear that the job he performs is an overwhelming one.

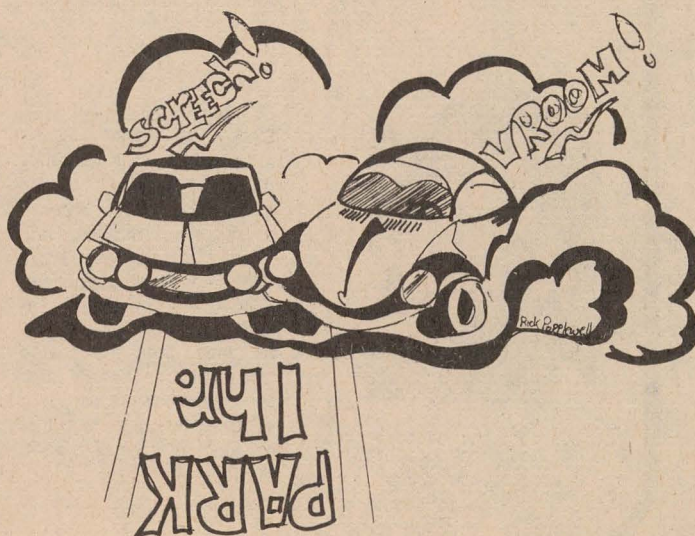
When asked about the Presidio parking plan, Waggoner said, "I feel it is important to point out that there is enough parking space for everyone living or working on the Presidio. The spot the individual uses may not be the most convenient one available to him, but there is definitely a place to park within reasonable proximity of his residence or place of work."

The existing parking plan is not something Sgt. Waggoner just dreamed up. He is working within the guidelines on reserved parking set up by AR210-10 and PSF Reg. 210-10.

Those authorized reserved parking spots include:

a) Commanders; b) Staff officers who are full colonels and above; c) Chiefs and Deputy Chiefs of major staff offices; d) Handicapped in designated parking spots; e) Carpool vehicles; and f) Any other person with a legitimate need for a reserved space.

Waggoner pointed out that every unit or activity has a designated parking control officer. It is the responsibility of that officer to submit a request for reserved parking spots on the Presidio.



"Every request for a reserved parking space must be justified," Waggoner said. He cited as an example of a disapproved request that of one control officer for a space for the unit clerk. "A request does not necessarily mean automatic approval. This office has the final say on whose request is justified and whose is not."

The latest change to the regulation which Waggoner has to include in the plan involves car pools. Since DA has been an avid supporter of the energy conservation program, the added incentive of a reserved parking space has been designated for car pools. All the car pooler has to do is let his unit parking control officer know about the car pool set up. The control officer will take care of it from there by simple coordination with Sgt. Waggoner.

As for handicapped parking, the reasons for designated spaces are obvious. The MPs have been directed to ticket unauthorized cars parked in handicapped zones. Repainting of these and other reserved parking markings is underway in an intensive program, he added.

And so, Presidio, that's the straight story. If you feel you warrant a reserved parking space, just let your unit parking control officer know your requirements. Some of the major unit control officers are: Sixth Army-SFC Mitchell, 4681; LAMC-Capt. Bentle, 4854; LAIR-SSgt. Shigekawas, 2606; and HHD, 504th MP Bn-Lt. Martinez, 5041. Remember, though, your request must be well justified and PMO has the final say.

The Presidio parking plan is set up to give everyone a fair chance on priority parking. Not everyone can justify a reserved space, but everyone does have a place to park.



# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q. Why can't we have co-ed visitation rights in the barracks on this post?**  
Names withheld upon request

(Several people phoned in with this question. Since there is no post-wide policy on the subject, we asked a unit commander, whose soldiers had queried us, about his unit's policy.)

**A.** Co-ed visitation rights are not authorized for several reasons. When two or three people share a room, co-ed visitation would constitute an invasion of privacy. Also, visitors would have complete access to all floors of the building. Other reasons are that students use their personal rooms for studying; some people work shifts, so they might be sleeping; and security and rape prevention. As it now stands, visitors must be escorted and can be in the day room area. There are telephones and an intercom system for visitors to announce their arrival. Security checks are made at regular intervals. In the event of an unauthorized visitor, appropriate measures are taken by the Mps.

**Michael Zauner**  
1st Lt., MSC  
Med. Co, LAMC

## Troop Talk

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk!

The Fourth of July Open House on the Presidio was a huge success. Many great comments were heard about the displays on Crissy Field. The demonstrations on the Parade Field were outstanding, also. A special thanks to the skydivers! Those divers who braved the wind were: **Lt. Tommy Wall**, 7th Div. at Ft. Ord, **Capt. Jean-Francois Romey**, USAMTC, Camp Parks, **TSgt. James Penland**, and **TSgt. Allen Silver**, 129th Aero Space Rescue and Recovery Group, **SSgt. Ralph Jones**, 75th Mil. Alft. Sq., Travis AFB, Calif., **Capt. Rudy Ribbeck**, HQ USA Stu. Det., Ft. Ben Harrison, Ind., and **Maj. Bruce Wicks**, Opns Officer, DPTSEC, here on the Presidio.

The Words of Wisdom this week come from Wendell Wilkie - "The Constitution does not provide for first and second class citizens."

The word for the week is "humor" - Humor comes in all forms. What one person finds funny, another may not. Be careful and consider the audience before trying to be a comedian. Groucho Marx once said, "I never forget a face, but in your case I'll make an exception."

**16th AG Postal** is proud to report the promotion of **Ronnie Ewing** to Sp5. The unit bid farewell to **PFC Kathy Robbins** who ETSed.

**D Co, 864th Engrs** reported a long list to the **Star Presidian** this week. **Alex Fazekas** received honors by promotion to **SSgt. Kevin Schiebel** was promoted to Sgt. **Sp4 Larry Moore** is off to Germany. New arrivals are: **Sp4 Robert Burgess Jr.**, **Sp4 Cecil Glidden**, and **Pvts Bobbie Keaton**, **Herbert Mullen**, **Bobbie Wiley**, **Raymond Okazaki**, and **Michael Antonelli**. **Mark Lagrimas** is now an Acting Jack!

From the **402nd** comes word that **Sp4 Joel Wild** has started to outprocess for Germany. **Sgt. Lawrence Ort** ETSed. Also ETSing will be **SSgt. Robert Dumouchel**.

Well, that about ends the week. Have a good weekend and take care on the highways and byways. Talk to you next week.

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## Ramblin' Sam



**What do you think of President Carter's Human Rights Policy?**



**Sp5 Leon Weeks, Promotion Clerk, COMPACT** — "If the policy worked the way it is planned, then it would be a good policy. It is not working though, because there are still various people who do not have equal rights."



**Mr. Rodney Williams, Military Personnel Clerk, COMPACT** — "I think it's all show and no action, especially for domestic human rights. Nothing has been done as far as civil rights for minorities in housing. Also, the Bakke decision is not in keeping with this policy."

**Mr. Archie Chen, Operations Research Analyst, LCA** — "The Human Rights Policy is not consistent with international policy. On one hand, the President speaks about preserving the rights of the people, while on the other hand, he sells arms to foreign governments which are consistently violating the rights of their people."



**Mrs. Elaine Fuentes, Librarian, LCA** — "In some cases the policy is gaining and in some cases the policy is losing ground. When it comes to trades and blue collar jobs, I believe that minorities are losing ground. A good aspect of the policy is that it helps keep the Affirmative Actions Program intact. Another good aspect, is that the blue collar worker can get a good education for his children through the scholarship programs that use quota systems for the minorities."

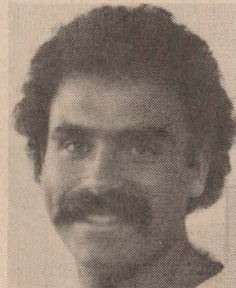


**Mrs. Essie Arnold, Logistics Technician, LCA** — "I think the policy is a good one, but unfortunately not all people are following the policy, and so it is not working. The Bakke decision is an example of taking one step backwards in the cause of human rights in America."

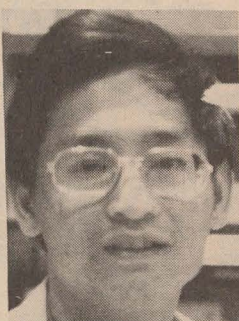


**Sp5 Howard Semey, Biological Services Asst., LAIR** — "I like the policy, but I don't believe the policy is being put in force. The Bakke case and homosexual rights are two cases where the policy does not back up human rights."

**Mr. Allen Siegel, Recreation Attendant, Post Pool #2** — "I think it is a smokescreen hiding all of his other policies, for instance, his energy program, and his inflation control program. Because of this, the policy is not doing any good."



**Sp5 Ragnar Thaning, Lab Tech, LAIR** — "I think President Carter has a double standard for justice. If he stresses one man vote in Rhodesia, he should do the same for the people in Panama, where they don't have the right to vote."



**Lt. Michael Dong, Bio-Chemist, LAIR** — "I agree with the President's policy. Everyone should agree with human rights. I myself am a minority, and I feel I should have equal rights; but not favoritism. When an individual receives an overabundance of rights, then the scales are tipped. When the scales are tipped, we have unfair tactics and have lost the original idea of human or equal rights."



**Mr. Noli Manas, Lifeguard, Pool #2** — "There are a lot of discrepancies in the policy as far as human rights in international affairs. I feel the President does not follow up in his beliefs. He sat back and watched the incidents in the Philippines and remained silent. He also remains silent on the issue of gay rights."



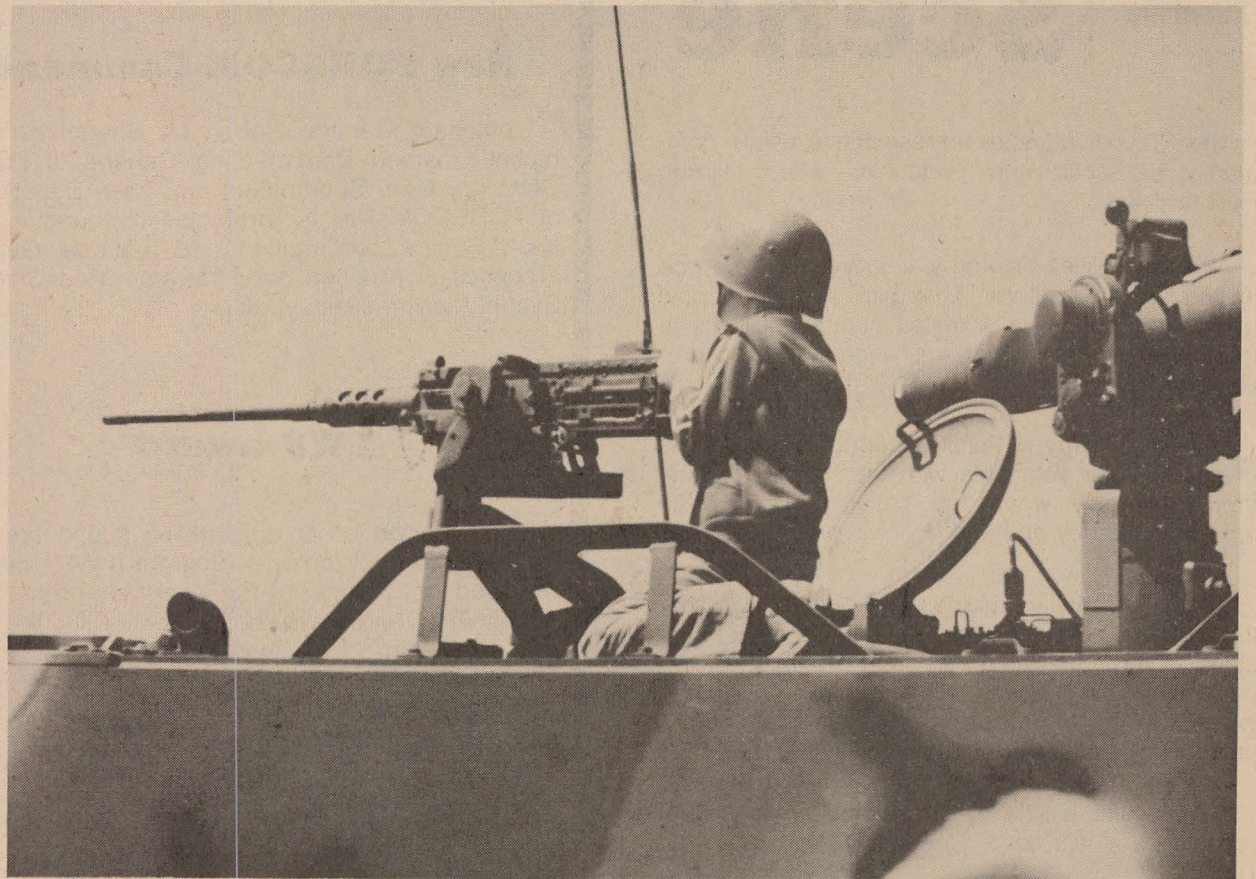
# Well deserved kudos

I am taking this opportunity to express my personal thanks to each of you for the outstanding work you did to make our July Fourth Open House a tremendous success. I know that everyone involved with the event put in many long hours both in preparation and during the Open House itself. Your efforts paid off in the excellent demonstrations, exhibits and activities throughout the day.

Most significant was that there was not one serious incident during the entire day and very few minor problems. Traffic and crowd control were superb. Equipment and vehicle displays were attractive and imaginative. The soldiers manning the exhibits and activities presented the best possible image of the Army to the public. I have received many calls and letters from people who visited the Open House expressing their enjoyment of what has been called by several the best Open House in the bay area.

Again, to each of you who contributed your time and effort in support of this event - Well Done.

  
JOHN D. HAMILTON  
Colonel, Armor  
Commanding



During the Open House held here on the Fourth of July, visitors enjoyed "hands-on" demonstrations of the various weaponry (photo by Lynn Ligon).

## Sports shorts

### Golf team in tourney

The Presidio Golf Team will depart tomorrow for Ft. Ord, Calif. to represent the Post in the 1978 FORSCOM Western Region Golf Tournament, July 17-21, 1978. Playing in the Open Division will be **Clarence Nakatsukasa**, HQ 6th Army, **Henry Smith**, USAG, **Lon Peterson**, LAIR and **Fred Glenister**, 864th Engr. Bn.

Playing in the Senior Division will be **Jimmy Stinebaugh**, USAG, who in 1977 finished first in the U.S. Army Golf Trials in the Senior Division and finished in second place in the Interservice Golf Championships in the Senior Division. Also playing in the Senior Division will be **Ronald Whitecliff**, HQ 6th Region USACIDC.

## Hunter safety class

The Presidio will sponsor a hunter safety class Saturday, July 22. This will be the last class of the season prior to the opening of the Zone "A" general deer season August 5.

Persons not previously licensed for hunting in the State of California are required to complete a safety course.

The course consists of six hours of instruction provided by Burton Adams from the Presidio. Persons possessing a Hunter Safety Training Certificate from another state are not required to complete the course.

Individuals interested in attending the course should contact the Outdoor Recreation Services, Building 92 or call ext. 4324. Class will be con-

ducted provided a minimum of five personnel attend, however maximum attendance will be held to between 25-30.

Personnel registering for the course should provide name, address and phone number to Outdoor Recreation Services and pick up a copy of the "Conservation Safety and Sportsmanship Handbook" prior to the course. The handbook may be picked up at time of registration.

Areas covered in the course will include firearms safety and nomenclature, wildlife management, sportsmanship, first aid, and primitive firearms (black powder). A score of 80 percent on an examination of 70 questions is required for successful completion.

## When you pour another

When a person continues to drink despite the fact that it causes serious psychological, physical, or social problems, alcoholism is developing or is already present.

Many people think of "typical" alcoholic people as skid row inhabitants, but only about three to five percent of alcoholic Americans are in that category. Actually, alcoholic people represent a cross section of the Nation, embracing rich and poor, young and old, white-collar workers and blue-collar workers—in fact, every level of society. Most alcoholics are employed and most have families—much like their neighbors and fellow citizens.

Seldom can you spot alcoholic people by their appearance. However, for those close to a person who seems to be more and more dependent on alcohol in order to function, there are indicators that his or her drinking may be reaching the danger point.

For example:

Is there the immediate reaction to pour a drink when faced with any problem?

Has getting drunk become a regular occurrence?

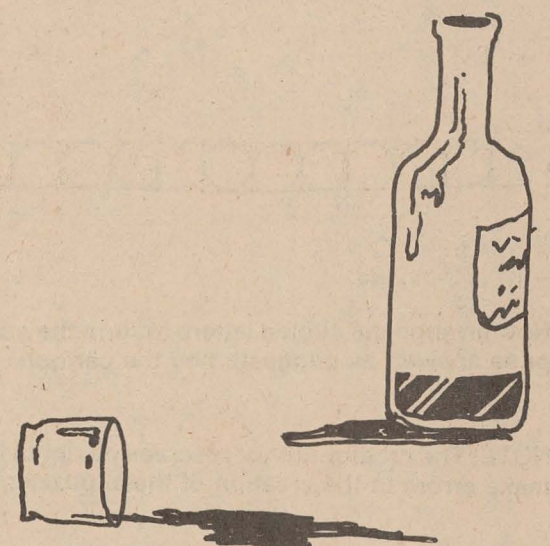
Is there a record of missing work because of drinking or regular attendance at work with an ill-disguised odor of liquor on the breath?

Has the person's driving license been suspended for driving while drunk?

Has the person had trouble with authorities for no "logical" reasons?

Has the person been involved in several unexplainable accidents without evidence of physical impairment?

Has his or her home life become intolerable because of excessive drinking or arguments resulting from drinking?



When such signs are present, it means that a person's drinking pattern, if not already out of control, is heading that way.

For more information about alcohol abuse and where to find help for people with alcoholism, write to the National Institute on Alcohol Abuse and Alcoholism, Box 2345, Rockville, Md. 20852.



### Summer basketball

The League will get under way next week. At a meeting on Monday, team captains were selected and then the draft was held, with the captains doing the drafting. Six teams will be playing in this fun league. If there are any personnel still interested in participating in the league, they should contact the Athletic Office, ext 4120.



# SNAFU

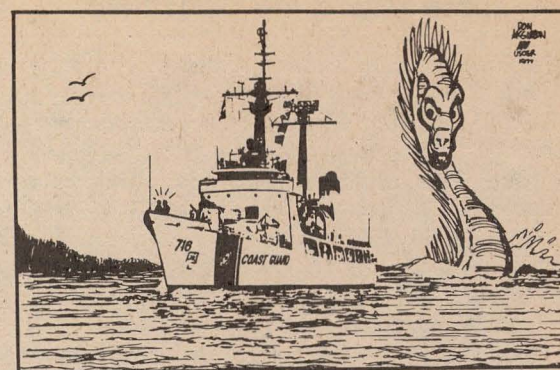


# News Break

# Movies



Our STAR PRESIDIAN readers are urged to take a few minutes of their time this coming Wednesday to give — to give the gift of life.



**"DID I EVER TELL YOU THE AMUSING LEGEND ABOUT THIS PART OF THE BAY?"**



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## The first step is the hardest ...

by Rebecca Hall

"I can't stand it here. I just can't stand it anymore! I hate you, I hate this house. I hate everything! I just can't stand it."

The door slams. The framed picture of the young couple, obviously in love, falls from the wall, shattering the glass plate. The child, playing on the floor, lets out a piercing cry, frightened by the loud angry voices.

Strolling to the refrigerator, he takes out a beer and pops the top.

"Geez ... she thinks SHE can't stand it! Oh, shut up that screaming! Women ... who can figure them? Who wants to anymore?"

Taking the child to a neighbor, he heads out to the club. Many more "tops are popped."

By the time he returns, the house is dark and quiet. Is his family safely sleeping? Or has she really left him? Or maybe ... has something terrible happened?

Situations like the one described here happen to most married couples at one time or another. Sometimes, it is just a simple, yet intense, argument. However, there are times when these arguments may not be the REAL problem. The real problem may be hidden, subconsciously buried. It's for problems like this, which may be hidden, when you can turn to the Psychology Service and Psychiatry Dept. here.

There are several relatively common problems which we all are faced with. There are times when the world seems to be toppling around us. Then there are the times when maybe all you need is someone to listen to you — someone unbiased.

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**"...those times you feel the world's falling down around you, you can be seen within 24 hours..."**

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Getting in to see a doctor isn't all that hard, either. If you feel, "Yeah, I've got a problem and I need to talk to somebody, but something doesn't need to be done today," call for an appointment. You're usually seen within a week.

On the other hand, those times you feel the world's falling down around you, you can be seen within 24 hours by the Crisis and Immediate Care Unit. Through CICU, you can have up to three visits before you decide whether you wish to continue therapy or handle it alone.

Another way patients get to psychology is through medical referral.

"Say you suspect your child has a learning disability," explained Dr. (Maj.) Clifford Dempster, Chief Psychology Services, "You discuss this with your pediatrician. He, in turn, refers you here for some learning ability testing.

"Another type of referral is the patient who is actually already in the hospital. When a person comes in for some type of major surgery, cancer, a limb removal, we can expect the patient to experience some type of post-operative depression. Therefore, we try to get in to see the patient before the depression becomes acute. This is done as a general rule."

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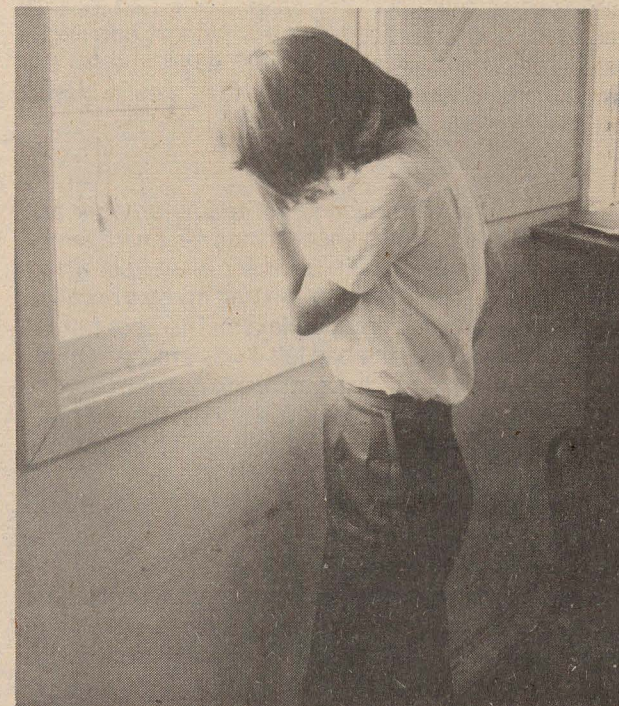
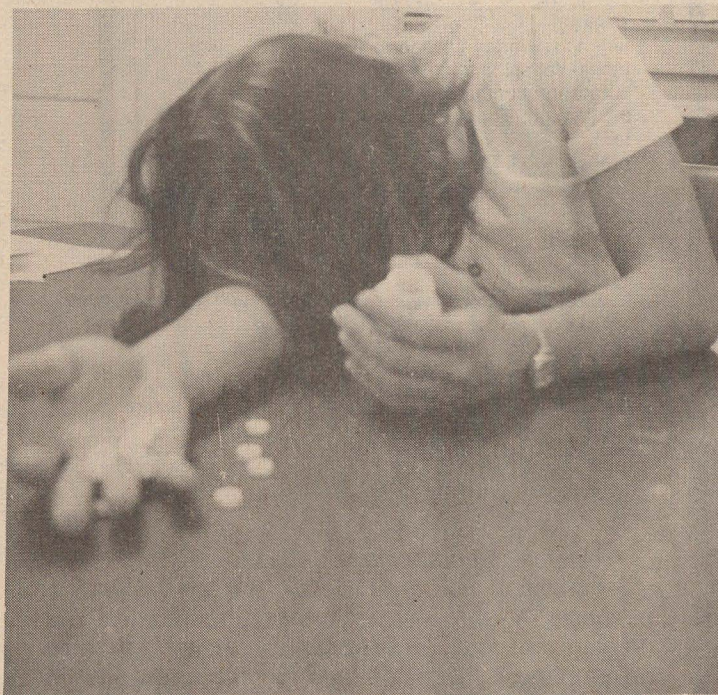
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Many people are concerned about what type of records are kept of their visits to the doctor. They also express concern for who sees their records, and what, if any, detrimental effect visiting the psychologist could have on their careers.

"There is a Department of the Army directive," Dempster explained, "which states that certain people, such as certain investigative agencies (for security clearances), and in certain cases commanders, are allowed access to general medical records only. They

have a viable need to know." However, there is only one psychology form kept in your general health record. The rest of the data, your clinical health record, is kept in the clinic under lock and key. It would take a subpoena to look at these records. In addition, we are extremely discreet about what is written in them.



"If I were asked to render an opinion upon a person's fitness for something, such as a security clearance, I would have to give it. However, I would not, as I understand it, have to give the basis or specifics for my opinion. In my eight and a half years of active duty I have never yet had to recommend to a commander that he suspend or revoke a clearance. As a general rule, people are much too concerned about this."

There are certain psychological problems common to the Presidio, and perhaps the military in general. One of these, being in a mobile job, can create stress on children, marriages, and job performance.

"Being in the military and moving a great deal, parents are concerned about how well their children will respond to the moves and how well they'll do in school. This is a major concern.

"Marital problems are another issue. Some of these are related to job stress; or that many military people grew up in small towns and are transplanted to San Francisco, in the middle of three million people. There is definitely an adjustment which must take place."

However, it seems that the most common problem with marriages is that people are saying, "Hey, we're not getting along as well with each other as we want to." One thing which can be done about this, according to Dempster, is to learn how to improve the quality of the relationship. Instead of coming home to take out your frustration on your spouse, you should come home and leave that at the job. Enjoy the time you have together more.

"If a husband and wife want to work at this, we can certainly help them," Dempster said. "But, it is work. Sometimes it hurts, but in the end, you feel so much better for it."

"The first step is always the hardest. But, as long as you get through our doors I'm sure we can find a way to help," concluded Dempster.

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# Crime Scene

Sp4 Donna Cantrell was really proud of her new Trondheim Superstreak 10-Speed bicycle. She had saved for months to buy this \$300 wonder, but looking at it now with the sun glinting off the shiny black frame, it seemed worth it. Besides, the nice sales clerk had given her all those accessories at no extra cost. Smiling, she got on the bike and headed for her barracks. She had decided at the last minute not to pay extra for the special bike lock the sales clerk had recommended, and she didn't like the idea of carrying a heavy chain and padlock with her everywhere. "Besides," she thought to herself, "who'd steal a bicycle on the Presidio anyway?"

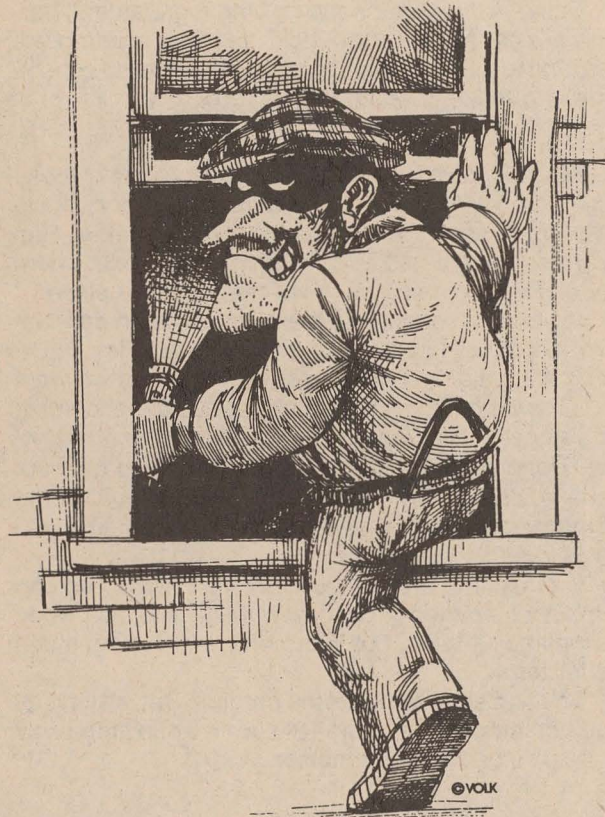
The next morning, Donna got ready for work and went downstairs. She planned to ride her new bike the short distance between Ft. Scott and Main Post where she worked. "I could have sworn I left my bike here last night," she said, looking perplexed. The spot behind the barracks where she had left it was empty. "Oh my God, it's been stolen!" In a panic, she ran back around the barracks in the vain hope she had merely been mistaken about where she'd left the bike, but she quickly realized she had not. Her brand new \$300.00 bicycle had been stolen.

Donna had made a fundamental mistake. Since she had invested so much money in her bicycle, she should have spent a little more for a good bicycle lock.

Even just a stout length of hardened chain and a good padlock would have helped. Then, she should have secured the bicycle to a fixed object like a telephone or light pole, or put it in a bike rack. These simple precautions may have prevented her loss, and would have cost her very little in terms of time or money.

Saving a few dollars or a few minutes now and losing a few hundred later is poor economics.

Remember that with bicycles or almost any other item of value, the watch words are, "LOCK IT OR LOSE IT."



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## Ramblin' Sam



**Lt. Catherine Bentle, Crime Prevention Officer, PMO** — "Reinstate the draft. We would get a better cut of people willing to work within the framework of the military system. Since we would have a better cut of people, I believe re-enlistment would be on the rise."



**Sgt. Sue Wescott, Recruiter, San Francisco, DRC** — "I believe we should go back to the old monetary VRB system to give incentive for everyone in the military to re-enlist."

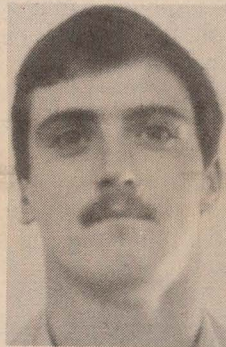
**Sp4 David Ahlansberg, 402nd MP Co.** — "I would suggest tour stability. The military is too transient, and it makes it too difficult for the married man. I believe increased retirement money would help. I believe 75 percent retirement for 20 years service would be good incentive for staying in."



**Sp4 Victoria Price, Unit Clerk, 16th A G Det.** — "I would make the superiors realize that the enlisted need to feel important and needed. After all, we are human. I would like to feel important through recognition of my superiors. It's not fair to be just a body, and to be kept uninformed."



**PFC Don Terry, 170th MP Co.** — "I believe if the soldier were able to choose the field of work for himself without being at the mercy of the system, a soldier would stay in. A soldier would be satisfied in his own chosen career field. Also, the younger enlisted man would appreciate better living conditions, especially quarters for the lower enlisted."



**PFC Richard Miller, Radio Transmission Operator, 163rd MP Co.** — "Better understanding between officers and enlisted. Also, better the environment for the younger soldier. We have to realize that there is an outside world and that the military is a part of it. Why not make it easier for the youth in the military by improving our living conditions?"

**SFC James Braddy, Plt. Sergeant, D Co. 864th Engrs.** — "Cut down on details and parades. One day a month set aside to cover all parade requirements would be enough. Too many details do not let a man properly work in his MOS or let him prove himself in a job."



**SFC William Riddle, SIG-SEC** — "The barracks conditions for younger enlisted could definitely stand improvement."



# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk!

Believe it or not (says Ripley), the fog we are experiencing in the Bay Area is only temporary. The damage that could result from an accident in fog could be permanent, though. Please, for your safety and the safety of others, drive carefully until the fog clears.

The summer months are here and hopefully you have taken some time to relax and enjoy yourself. On the topic of relaxation, the Words of Wisdom for the week are — "If a man insisted always on being serious, and never allowed a bit of fun and relaxation, he would go mad or become unstable without knowing it."

No one says to fool around constantly, but leave some room in your life to smile and take a break.

In last week's Troop Talk, I mentioned the danger of making certain people the brunt of humor. A man named Bion spoke about this in the year 280 B.C. He said, "Though boys throw stones at frogs in sport, the frogs do not die in sport, but in earnest." This quote does not mean be kind to frogs.

The word for the week is Hero. Some people simply become heroes out of reaction and not by choice. John F. Kennedy said, (concerning the PT-109) "It was involuntary. They sank my boat."

The 51st Engrs. reported the arrival of **Will Harrison** from Ft. Leonard Wood. **Gene Fields** was promoted to E-2. Departing for Korea is **Sp4 Peter J. Gesior**.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn.** gladly welcomed **PFC Rose Smith** from Korea. Rose is newly married and her husband is also here on the Presidio. Welcome to both of you.

**D Co., 864th Engr. Bn.** welcomed the arrivals of **Sp4 Eujan Burns** from Germany, and **PFC Edwin Ketterling** and **PVTs Theodore Kambour, Fred Wilson, and Thomas Webber**, all from AIT. Off to school for CBR training are **Sgt. Darrell Williams**, and **SSgt. Michael Auletti**. The school is being conducted at Ft. Lewis.

Some community news — Don't forget the NCO Wives Club meeting on August 7. The ACS at Hamilton AFB is looking for volunteers to help out at the office. The Hamilton Family Housing Office advises that it would appreciate all families living at Hamilton and Raphael Village to water their lawns in the evening. Watering during the day has caused many yards to look burned out and therefore, unsightly. They thank you for your cooperation.

Until next week — Take care!



# Do it yourself and relax

by Rebecca Hall

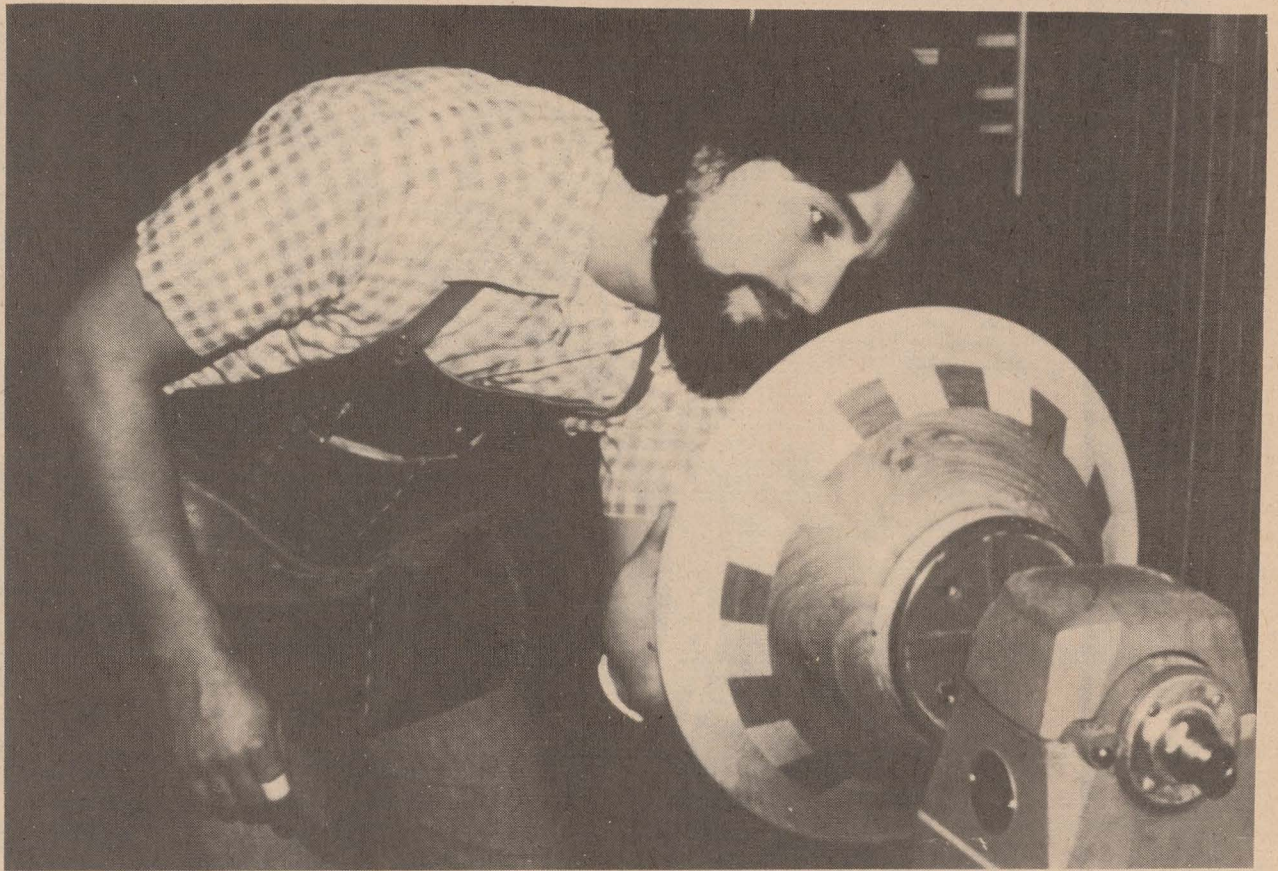
Being a "housewife" can get to be a real drag. Cleaning, cooking, taking care of kids, 'taxi' service, laundry, grocery shopping ... what joy ... and, if you have an 'outside' job as well ... WHEW!

On the other hand, being the "man of the house" carries with it a great load, too! The kids need shoes, dental work, the car breaks down, Top chews you out ... the list seems endless for us all.

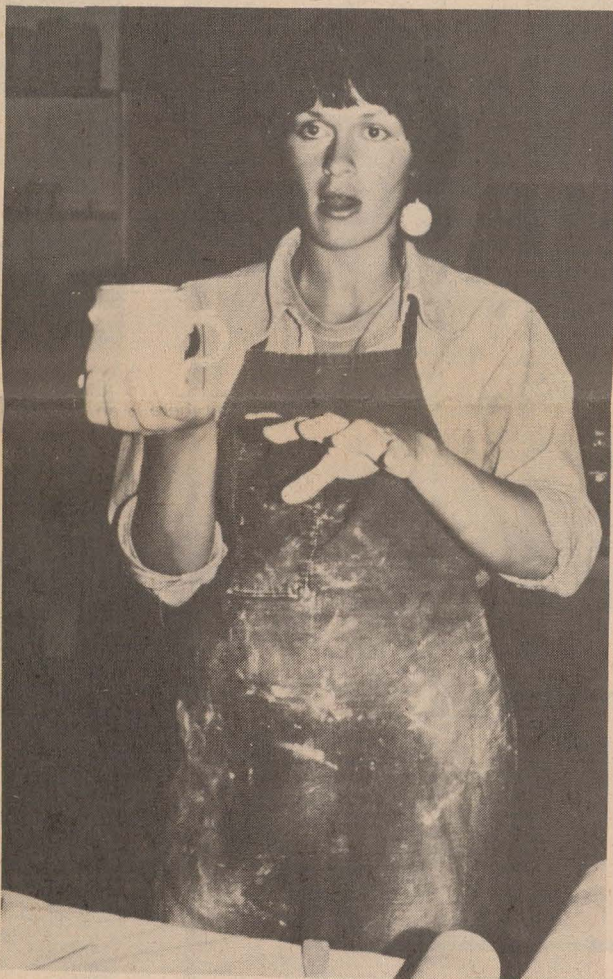
At the same time, the media (TV in particular) keeps telling you to relax, take it easy, enjoy a long hot soak in the tub or a delicious cup of coffee. So what do you get? An hour in the tub — you may be relaxed, but you bear a remarkable resemblance to a prune! A cup of coffee? More dirty dishes, a scalded tongue, stained teeth and insomnia from the caffeine!

Got the feeling you can't win? Wrong! There're plenty of ways to relax ... **and** have something to show for it! Into jewelry? Make your own! How 'bout plants? Got a green thumb? Learn to make your own planters!

You can get into things like stained glass making, creating jewelry, photography, leather crafts, ceramic decoration, pottery, quilting, lapidary, oil painting, auto repair and woodworking — all at the Arts and Crafts Shop here.



Putting some finishing touches on a woodworking project is Mark Plumley, Arts and Crafts instructor.



Teaching the hand-built pottery course, Lenda Barth demonstrates mug making techniques.

Just think — you could learn how to change the oil or tires of your car, and not have to pay a mechanic! The class covers major repairs, too.

Have you priced furniture lately? Need I say more, if you have? Furniture prices are astronomical! At the Craft Shop you can learn to make pieces priced in the hundreds of dollars at furniture stores for less than \$100.

If you'd like to see some examples of pieces made at the Craft Shop, there will be a furniture exhibit of 20 to 30 pieces August 22 - 26.

"These are some **really** fine pieces," Dean Steiner, Assistant Program Director, told us. "Some of these pieces would've cost anywhere from \$500 to \$1,000 outside — and I doubt the quality of the workmanship would be as good."

Everyone is invited to the exhibit, free of charge. Refreshments will be served. The Craft Shop, Bldg. 122, is open Tuesday through Friday, 2 to 10 p.m. and Saturday from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information call 561-4497.



Jim Hendrickson, retired Army, works with photo silk screening.

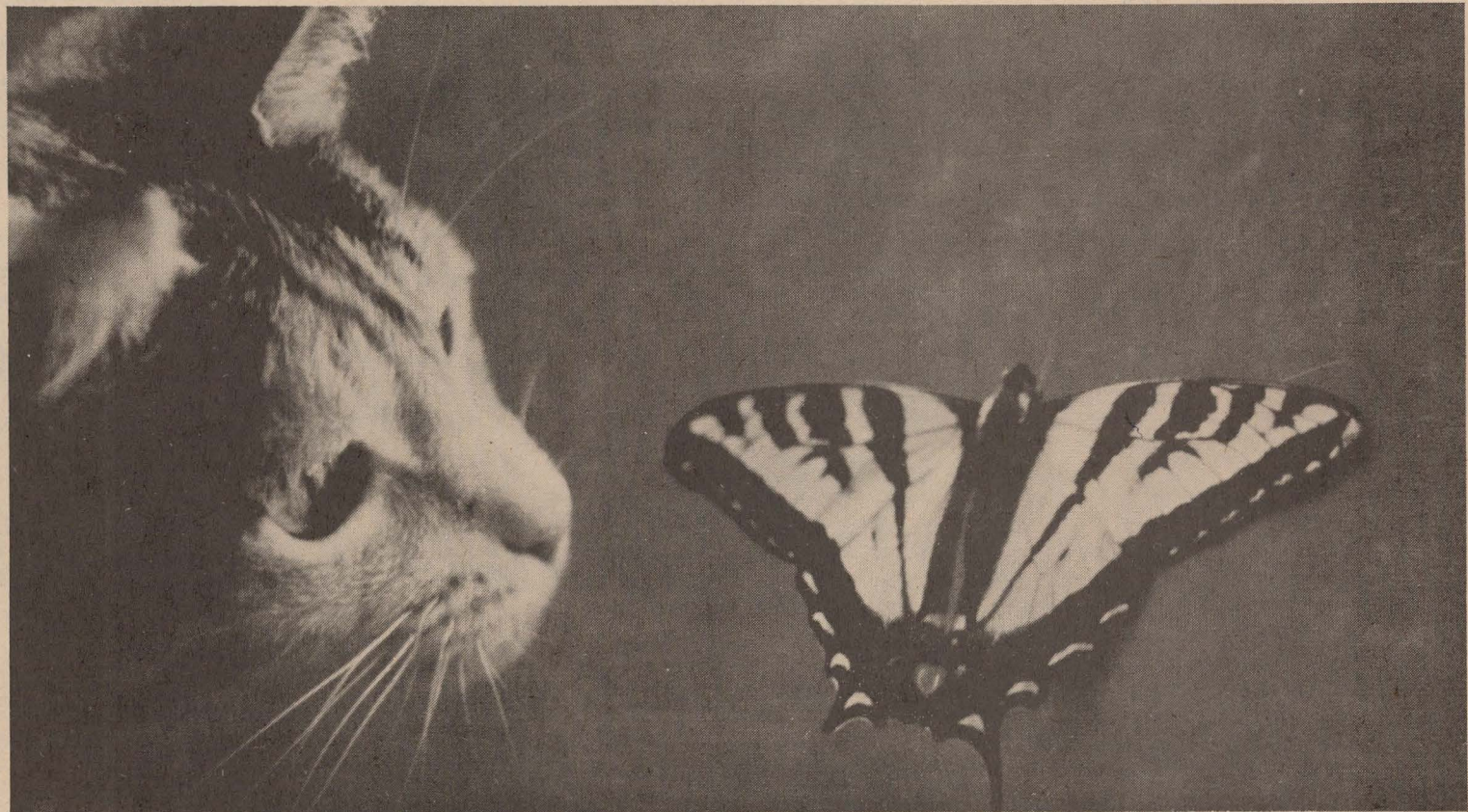


Learning to change the oil in your car can save time and money. (photos by Dave Black)

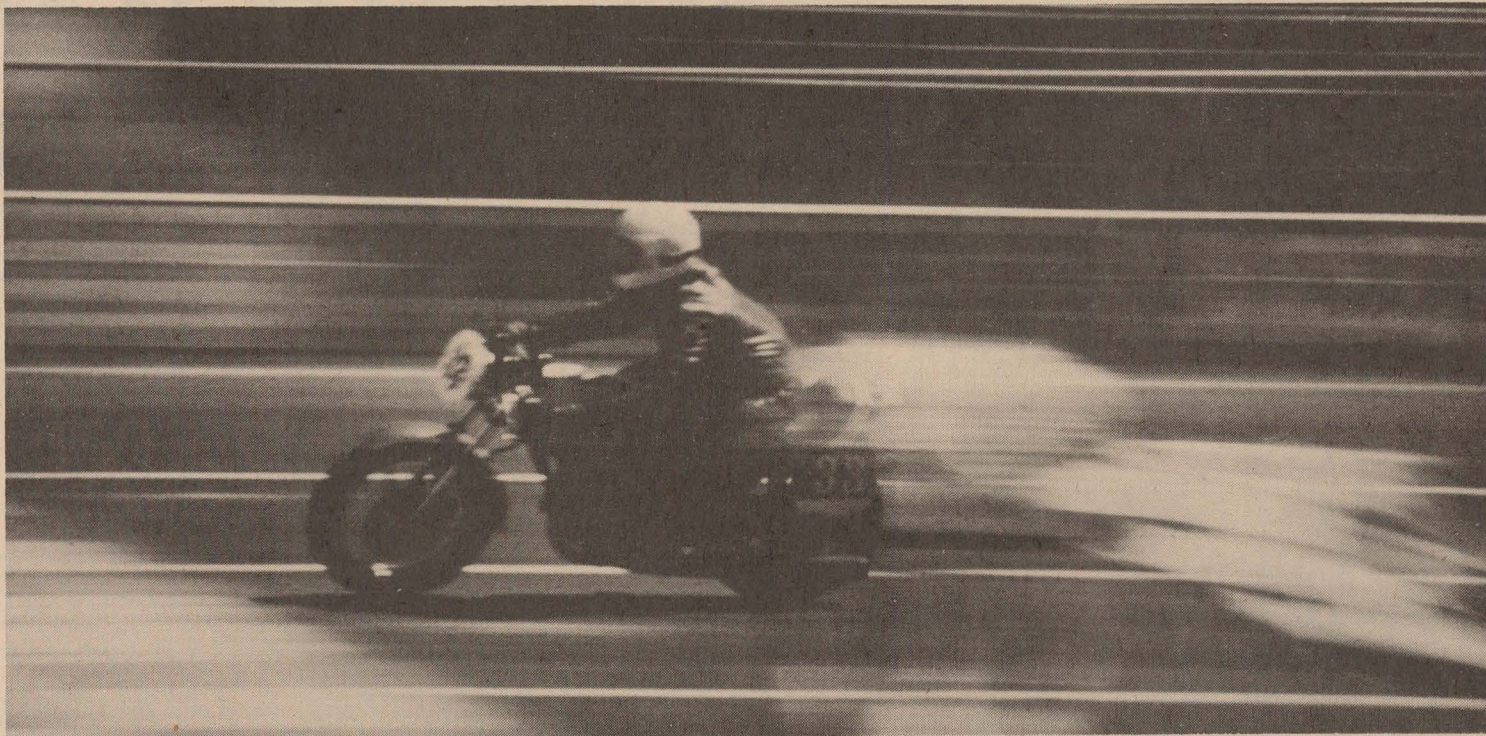




"Two friends", by Lisa Kanemoto, won first place in the People category.



Another General category first place winner was Jeff Lisse with "Curious Cat."



In the Experimental category, James Hendrickson took first place with his "Time Machine."



"Friend or Foe," by James Canfield, also took a first place in the experimental category.

# Watch the birdie!

Each year military members are given the opportunity to compete in a "Shutter-Bug" contest, the Interservice Photography Contest. This year the contest was opened to dependents, civilian personnel, and military retirees on the Presidio level only. Awards for first, second and honorable mention were given. Monochrome print, color print,

and color slide entries were all acceptable in the competition. Entries were placed in one of these categories: general, closeups, portraits, scenic shots, and experimental photos. The judging was based on impact, freshness of approach, ability to communicate and technical skill. Here are the first place winners on the Presidio level. See if you agree with the judges....



"Art on the Wind," by John Hutton, placed first in the General category.



# Cycle safety

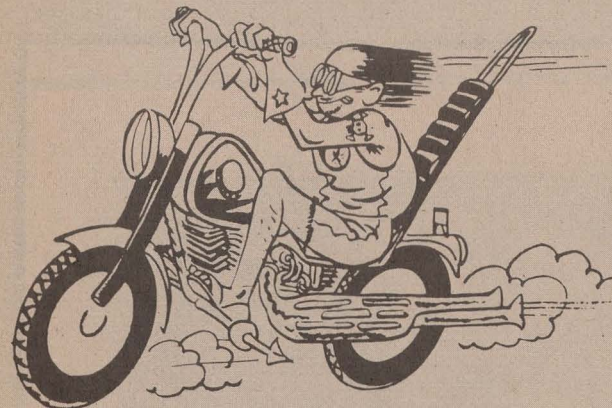
Motorcycle fatalities have increased faster in states that have repealed helmet laws, according to a report released by the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA).



Fatalities have risen 32.8 percent in 22 states, such as California, that have repealed helmet laws, the agency said, while fatalities nationwide have only risen 23 percent.

According to the report, "the chance of fatal head injuries appears to be at least four times greater for unhelmeted motorcyclists," based on studies in four states that have repealed compulsory helmet laws.

One study, conducted in Colorado, showed that while the use of helmets dropped from nearly 100 percent to less than 60 percent, the percentage of accidents involving severe head injuries jumped 260 percent.



A University of Southern California study of freeways in the Los Angeles area found that the chance of serious or fatal head injuries is five times greater for motorcyclists without helmets.

"Opposition to state helmet-use laws comes in the fact of overwhelming evidence that motorcycle helmets save lives by reducing the severity of head injuries," said Joan Claybrook, NHTSA chief.

According to Robert M. Hayes, FORSCOM Safety Officer, the Department of Defense, Department of the Army and FORSCOM have policies requiring helmets to be worn while on military installations. The policies also require that headlights be on to make the cycles more visible.

The use of helmets by motorcycle riders — a requirement on military installations — can be a lifesaver. Why not wear yours? The life you save may be your own.

(FORSCOM)

# In search of the elusive tan?

This year Americans will spend about \$50,000,000 in search of a look most won't acquire: the even, golden tan that looks super-rich, lasts for months, and never peels or wrinkles.

When you take your place in the sun this summer, your goal probably will be "increased formation of melanin pigment by specialized cells in the skin's basal layer and upward migration of the melanin to the external surface." In other words, you want a tan. What you may get instead is inflammation and fluid infiltration, which translates, of course, to burning and blistering.

### Special Situations

The amount of sun a person can take depends largely on the thickness of his skin, and to a lesser extent on pigmentation. Whichever group you're in, however, too much sunlight can yield a burn. Therefore, there's no reason for anyone to sunbathe relentlessly.

Particular care should be taken by people using medication. If you use any medication, ask your physician if special precaution is needed during exposure to sun for considerable periods.

Another situation that could predispose you to redness and pigmented spots is the use of fragrances — aftershave, cologne, etc. — directly on the skin before sunbathing.

### Time and Location

The earth's atmosphere filters burning ultraviolet rays, as do dirt, smog and other pollutants. Thus, a sunbather will burn less quickly on a city rooftop than on a shady island under a blanket of clean air.

The sun will cause burns more quickly at noon, when it's directly overhead, than in early morning or late afternoon. Be careful with sunbathing between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m.

Haze or overcast scatters the ultraviolet rays, so you'll burn less quickly on a hazy than on a clear day. However, the lack of direct light and its heat may entice you to stay out so long you eventually do burn, giving rise to the myth that you burn faster in overcast weather.

### Illusive Shortcut

If you're a determined sun worshipper, the only precaution you're likely to take is extensive use of a "suntan" product. One point to remember is that no product makes you tan faster than you would with no protection; the aim of such products is solely to help you stay outside a little longer without burning. Some preparations, such as baby oil, only keep you greased up and more comfortable while you fry about as fast as you would with nothing on your skin. Then there is the almost total blackout, as offered by a generous application of zinc oxide (that white blob you often see piled onto a life-guard's nose), or use of plain old calamine lotion (which is also derived from zinc) mixed with cold cream.

# BEWARE

### Seek Protection

Between these extremes is the ever-increasing variety of sun creams, lotions, clear liquids, butters, gels, and aerosol foams. In choosing your protection, the real alternatives will be sun **blocking** products and sun **tan** products, and claims made on the label are your most important clue. Although all products promoted for tanning or sun-screening must have some ingredient that provides a sunscreen, those that mention only their use in obtaining a tan will generally contain less of an ingredient that screens out burning rays than products that stress a high degree of protection.

Sunscreens should be reapplied after swimming, bathing, excessive exercise, and sweating. Remember that the farther south you are, the more urgent the use of a sunscreen — and in some cases, this could mean even a physical sunscreen, such as coverage with clothing or use of a beach umbrella, as opposed to a chemical screen.

### In Spite of Everything . . .

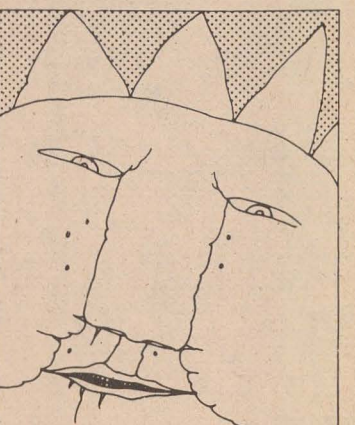
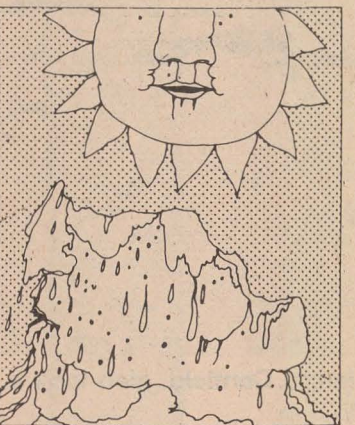
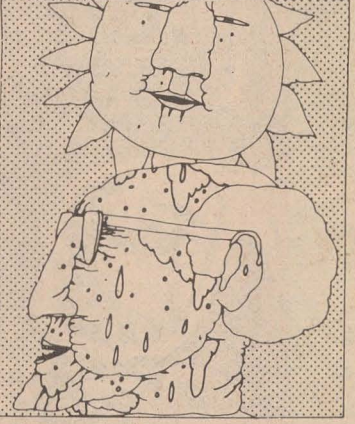
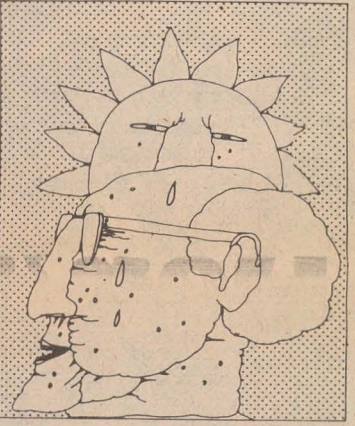
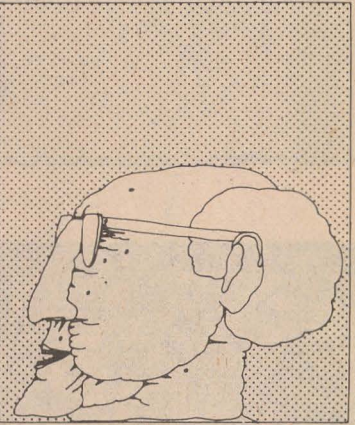
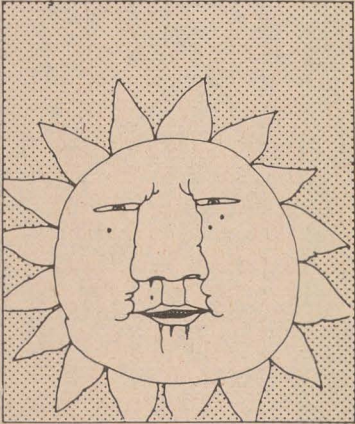
If you **DO** sunburn:

1. See a doctor if the burn is severe. Sunburn can make you very sick with chills, fever and even delirium. Also, bad blisters always need the attention of a physician because of the danger of infection.
2. In mild cases where the skin turns red, dust the area with talcum powder.
3. For moderately bad burns where the skin is red and slightly swollen, apply wet dressings of gauze dipped in a solution of baking soda and corn starch — one tablespoon of each to two quarts of cool water, or use cool milk or water in an emergency.

### Best Bet

The best advice is not to push your luck. Even careful sunbathing, year after year, will bring out age signs quickly, since the effects of the sun are both insidious and cumulative. This goes for all ages.

To make sure you can fully enjoy the sunny days ahead, without setting yourself up for early wrinkles and damaged, peeling skin, start off gradually, use the protection best suited for your activity, and don't shorten your overall time in the sun by trying to soak it all up the first few days.





# A special "family" reunion

by Lynn Ligon

An afternoon at Fisherman's Wharf is a must on any visitor's agenda to this city. Recently, however, that afternoon of fun turned really sour for Colonel Lewis A. Welzel and his family visiting from Alexandria, VA.

Welzel, on leave from the Defense Intelligence Agency in Washington, D.C., had driven cross-country on a camping trip with his wife, daughter, brother-in-law and sister-in-law. Also along was the family's 10-year old Irish setter, Kim.

The visit in San Francisco was to be the high point of the trip when fate intervened.

The family parked their Ford pickup carrying a camper at a parking meter near the wharf. When they returned two hours later, the truck and camper were gone. In addition to all the personal belongings in the camper, Kim, the Irish setter, was also in the camper.

The family was heartbroken. They notified the police, moved into the guest house at the Presidio, rented a car, and began searching for the truck and Kim. The police could not offer much encouragement and it appeared the family's search was only an act of desperation.

Colonel Welzel felt the local media might offer assistance in locating the truck and the dog. He was right. An article appeared in the San Francisco Examiner telling of the family's plight. This led to involvement by the Presidio's Public Affairs Office, who put him in touch with Larry Worrell on the news assignment desk at KRON-TV. Worrell thought the Welzel's predicament provided a good human interest story for the news, but even more, he felt the station could help locate at least the missing Kim.

The story ran on the 6 o'clock News on a Monday. By the next day, reports of dogs fitting Kim's description flooded the KRON newsroom. Each one was checked, and, sadly, rejected. One offer came of a new puppy, but the family wanted Kim.

Late on the second day, word was received that the Berkeley Animal Shelter had picked-up a dog that might be Kim. The dog bore tags from Ft. Belvoir, VA. Unfortunately, the dog had been taken to the shelter after it had reportedly bitten a little girl.

Early the next day, Col. Welzel and family, accompanied by a KRON-TV crew, arrived at the animal



Surrounding "Kim" (from left to right) are Col. Welzel and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Vic Corrington (Col. Welzel's in-laws) and his daughter, Sherry. (photo by William Malkiel)

shelter. The dog in custody was Kim and the reunion between the family and the elderly, scared dog was touching.

Because of the child-biting incident, which was not serious, the problem remained of verification of rabies vaccination and a mandatory period of confinement and observation of Kim. The Ft. Belvoir vet was contacted and confirmed the vaccination, and the Presidio vet agreed to hold Kim for the required time. Naturally, the family was elated. The vacation which they had waited so long for was almost ruined. No trace has been found of the truck and camper, but insurance can replace that. "Kim is a part of the family," said Col.

Welzel, "and no insurance could replace her." If she could only talk and tell where she had been for four days and who she had been with. But, to the Welzel's, the wagging of her tail was far more important.

For a dog lover, the story could end here. However, a postscript to this misadventure was written several days later when the Welzel's truck and camper were found abandoned near Garberville, CA, approximately 210 miles north of San Francisco.

What are the prospects of a return trip to San Francisco? "Well," said Welzel, "this is my third trip to the city and I still love it." Like the song says, he left his heart in San Francisco — and almost a lot more.

## Don't rock the boat, baby!

by Rebecca Hall

After spending weeks planning our weekend ski trip, we just KNEW everything was cherry. We'd finally gotten five other people to commit themselves; the money was there; the camping equipment and ski boat we'd get from Outdoor Rec, on post. We were ready.

Friday morning (our departure day) we were up at first light, our gear and food waiting to be packed. We were to pick the boat up at 8:30 a.m. and be on the road by 9:30.

Well, our driver (the only guy with a car big enough to pull the boat!) showed up late — 9 a.m. When we got to Outdoor Rec they had no trailer hitch available. We had to rush out and buy our own! Then, the lights for the boat wouldn't hook up well with the car, so our next step was cutting and splicing wires! No four man tents were available either, so we had to take six man tents.

### On the road

Finally, at 11 a.m., we were back at our house to load the gear. Thinking — "Finally, we've got it together" — we headed out for Lake Berryessa.

Little did we know our ski trip — which we'd so looked forward to — would, indeed, become even more exciting!

Suddenly, the lady traveling in the car ahead of us went berserk! At 50 miles per hour she spun sideways in the road! Unless you've experienced this, you can't imagine what a rush it is! Luckily, our driver was excellent. Keeping his cool, he quickly changed lanes and went around her. All traffic behind us had to stop, however, since her vehicle was totally out of control. We all said a prayer of thanks that there had been no car in that far left hand lane.

We did get to the lake, though, without further traveling problems.

### Setting up camp

Setting up camp was hot, dirty work — the temperature was in the high 90s. After the tents were put up and our gear secured inside them, we decided to launch the boat and get in a little skiing and swimming before starting supper.

The boat was backed into the water, released from the trailer and we were about to climb aboard. Suddenly, people from the other pier began yelling and pointing towards his boat! Water was pouring into it!



The plug had been improperly placed and had fallen out!

After replacing the plug and doing a little bailing we headed out. Towards the far side of the lake one of the girls decided she wanted to try to ski. Having never done so before, she was a little apprehensive. After putting her ski vest on and sizing the skis, she jumped into the water. Finally, after much circling, she and the rope were in position and ready to go.

Imagine her startled expression, especially after seeing the new shark movie, when everyone started yelling "Drop the rope! Drop the rope! Get back in the boat! Hurry!" Never have you seen anyone move through the water so rapidly!

The problem, however, was that the plug had fallen out again, this time into the lake, and we were rapidly taking in water!

While one drove towards shore, another found something to put in the hole and the rest of us bailed again! But we made it, got a new plug, and carried on!

Friday evening finally mellowed out as we sat around our Bar-B-Q grill and swatted mosquitoes.

Saturday morning was clear and sunny. Very, very sunny. In fact, hot as the hinges of Hades, so to speak. Needless to say, we were all looking forward to hitting the water.

Our first couple of hours on the lake were beautiful. No problems, injuries or arguments. Then, one of the guys forgot to take off his glasses before going into the water. He did well until he wiped out. He went flying in one direction — his glasses went flying in the other! Depression rapidly set in.

### Adding to depression

Then, to add to the depression, the steering in the boat jammed just as we were trying to get him up for another try. We could move, all right. In little counter-clockwise circles!

After trying to paddle to shore, using the skis (an impossible task, let me assure you!) a couple pulled alongside and offered a tow.

Once we reached a dock (20 miles from **OUR** campsite) we spent three hours feeding the ducks as the mechanic tried to get us mobile. He did manage to fix the steering enough for us to motor slowly back to camp. But, that was the end of the skiing.

### An unusual greeting

We were greeted, upon our return, by an unbelievable sight! The ground squirrels had raided our tents, taking bread, bagels, crackers, cookies, fruit. They even ate through the soap package! We still hope to be able to laugh about this one day ...

Saturday evening everyone was much more subdued. After all the mishaps, we'd managed to get beautifully sun-burned, too. A few die-hards sat up late, but most of us hit the old sleeping bags early.

Although we weren't able to use the boat Sunday, we enjoyed some fishing and swimming. For once, without incident.

As we swam and chatted we noticed smoke in the distance. The usual jokes were made about "Hey, our camp's on fire!" and what not, but we continued our activities.

It wasn't until we saw flames cresting the hill directly across from us that we panicked. It took us two hours to take down the tents, organize everything, pack it and move out. By that time the fire had traveled three-quarters of the way down that hill. And was still coming!

We later learned that that fire destroyed 260 acres before finally being controlled.

After such an "exciting" weekend, who would dream that we're already counting the days before we can go again!



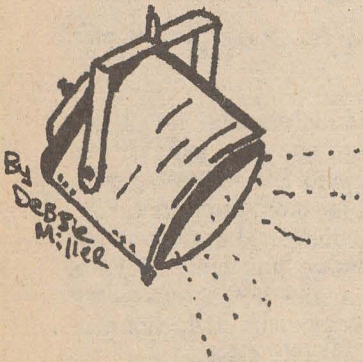
# ACTION L-I-N-E

**Q.** The courtesy phone at the post exchange has been out for over a month now. I've reported it to the back office and their only reply is that they've taken the action of turning it in to Post Signal. And since that's in a high usage area, and it's a convenience for the use of just about everybody on post, I recommend that somebody put a priority on it and get it fixed.

Capt. Edwin Nelson

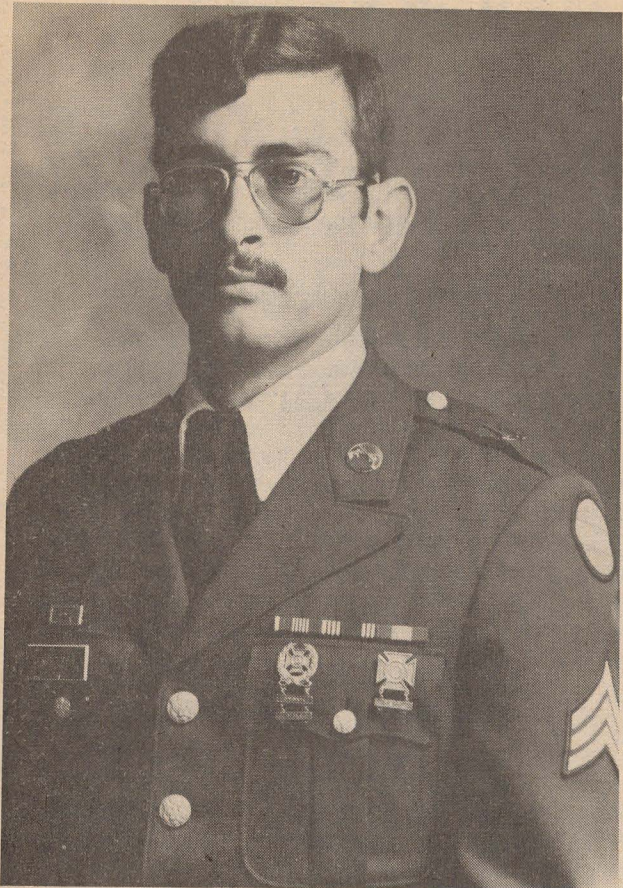
**A.** There was a major outage during February on the telephone cable system serving the 800 and 900 areas on post. Temporary repairs were made based upon priority lists provided by commanders and activity chiefs. After the most important lines were repaired, however, the courtesy phone was somehow overlooked. When this was brought to our attention, the courtesy telephone in question was repaired and is now in working order. Thank you.

Henry J. Harvey  
LTC, Sig C.



**PSF**

## Spotlights



Confidence is one characteristic that could be applied to the "Presidio Soldier of the Year," Sgt. Steven L. Bartley, NCOIC of the 504th MP Bn. Learning Lab. In order to win the "Soldier of the Year" title, Bartley, of Tama, Iowa, had to face a competitive board comprised of three Sergeant Majors.

Said Bartley, "I found the board that I faced was very fair and not at all difficult." When asked what question gave him most trouble, Bartley replied, "What are the objectives of ACS?"

For the title of "Soldier of the Year," Sgt. Bartley was judged on the basis of Appearance, Bearing and General Military Knowledge. Said Bartley, "I think it is important to look and act sharp in the Army."

Bartley finds education important to look and act sharp in the Army."

Bartley finds education important for a soldier, also. He is working on a degree in Police Science.

Congratulations Steve!

# News Break

## Pay increase

Take home pay will increase for most servicemembers by 40 cents starting this month, according to a DOD spokesman. The tiny change, which results from a drop in Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) premiums, will probably be reflected in pay vouchers by next month, though it went into effect on July 1. On the standard \$20,000 policy the premium will be reduced from \$3.40 to \$3 a month.

The reason for the decrease, according to local Veterans Administration spokesman Ted Jorgensen, is because the "mortality rate is low" among servicemembers in peacetime. The decrease will mean a total savings of \$14 million per year for active and reserve personnel in all the services.

## Oakland Raiders

Army families are invited to see the Oakland Raiders practice on Family Day, July 29, at their summer camp at Santa Rosa Community College. Attractions include team and individual drills, play demonstrations and all the other essential things a team needs to get ready for the exhibition season. Players will be available to pose for photos and sign autographs. The Sixth Army Band and the 91st Division Pipe Band will provide the music, while the Raiderettes, Oakland's cheerleaders, do their thing. The Raiderettes will be escorted by Army recruiters. Gates open at noon and admission is free.

## Smoke detectors

A spokesman for the Army Corps of Engineers says that smoke detectors will be installed in all on-post family housing units before the end of the year within the continental United States. It will take almost all of fiscal year 79 before the detectors will be placed in housing in Europe, however.

On the Presidio and its sub-posts the program is already almost complete at a cost of \$77,000. According to housing chief James Corum, only the 1500 and 700 building areas on the Presidio lack the detectors.

DA is also authorizing installation of the alarms in bachelor enlisted and officer housing, at the discretion of local commanders. According to Chief Jay Williams, Jr. of the Presidio Fire Department, a work order for the detectors will be submitted shortly for completion next year. He said that the smoke detectors in the BOQ and BEQs will be for the building as a whole, not for individual rooms.

The Army has become a believer in detectors of late, partly because a family at Fort Hunter, Ala. was saved when the detector in their quarters warned them of a fire, allowing them to evacuate before the fire became a serious threat.

## Preretirement counseling

A Preretirement Counseling Program will be available to all military personnel planning to retire during the period July 31 through January 31.

Representatives of the Social Security Administration, Veterans Administration, California Employment Development Department, US Army Transfer Point, Civil Service Commission, Army Education Center, Staff Judge Advocate, Naval Supply Center Household Goods Sub-Office and Presidio Retirement Services Office will provide individual and small group counseling at the Recreation Center, bldg. 135, 8:30 a.m. - noon, Thursday, July 27. Wives are invited to attend.

## FWP award

In recognition of its outstanding supporters, the Presidio Federal Women's Program (FWP) has established a Woman-of-the-Year/Man-of-the-Year Honor. This award will be presented for the first time on Women's Day, August 25.

Nominations must be submitted by July 24 to the Federal Women's Coordinator, Wanda Greer, ext. 2022. Nominees must meet the following criteria: a) be a member of the Presidio work force (civilian or military), and b) demonstrate a sincere and dedicated interest in furthering job opportunities and advancement of Presidio women.

For further information contact your office supervisor or Wanda Greer, ext. 2022.

## Chapel Choir concert

The Presidio Post Chapel Choir will present "An Evening of the Music of Mozart", Friday, July 21, at 8 p.m. The concert, which will be held at the Protestant Post Chapel, will feature excerpts from "The Marriage of Figaro," "The Magic Flute," and will conclude with the major choral work, "Vesperae Solennes de Confessore."

For further information contact Larry Rose at 285-4780.

## SNAFU answers

The weekly Star Presidian puzzle feature "SNAFU" is not available this week. The solution to last week's is: plague, baton, scarf, deluge, impose; A single beau.

"SNAFU" will be back again next week.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, July 21,** The Spy Who Loved Me, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday, July 22,** Digby - The Biggest Dog in the World, (G), 2 p.m.  
**Saturday, July 22,** Airport '77, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Sunday, July 23,** FM, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Monday, July 24,** FM, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, July 25,** The Chosen, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday, July 26,** The Chosen, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, July 27,** Silver Bears, (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday, July 21,** Cross of Iron, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Monday, July 24,** The Goodbye Girl, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday, July 25,** Incredible Melting Man, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday, July 26,** Whiskey Mountain, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday, July 27,** The Spy Who Loved Me, (PG), 7 p.m.

### WHISKEY MOUNTAIN

**(PG)** The lure of buried treasure attracts two reckless motor-cross racers and their wives. Their vacation soon turns into a nightmare when they find the locals don't want them to know that Whiskey Mountain exists. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.

### THE CHOSEN (R)

Kirk Douglas builds nuclear power plants. The premise is that these plants could lead to the apocalypse written about in the book of Revelations — the human race would be helpless against the forces of the antichrist, especially if nuclear explosions are the means of destroying the world. Simon Ward plays Douglas' son, who is the antichrist.

### FM (PG)

FM is a humorous, often biting, look at the very special world of all — music radio and, for the first time on film, the faceless voices of the disc jockeys have been transformed into flesh and blood characters. Special concert appearances are made by Linda Ronstadt and Jimmy Buffett. Some elements of suggestive dialog may not be suitable for children.

### SILVER BEARS (PG)

This is a fun tale filled with delightful twists, where high financing and the world silver market are the satirical targets. Some material may not be suitable for children.





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## 'The Pearl of Great Price'

story and photos by Ted Elisee

Vietnam, the war torn nation, centuries old and full of life, has been practically closed off in silence now.

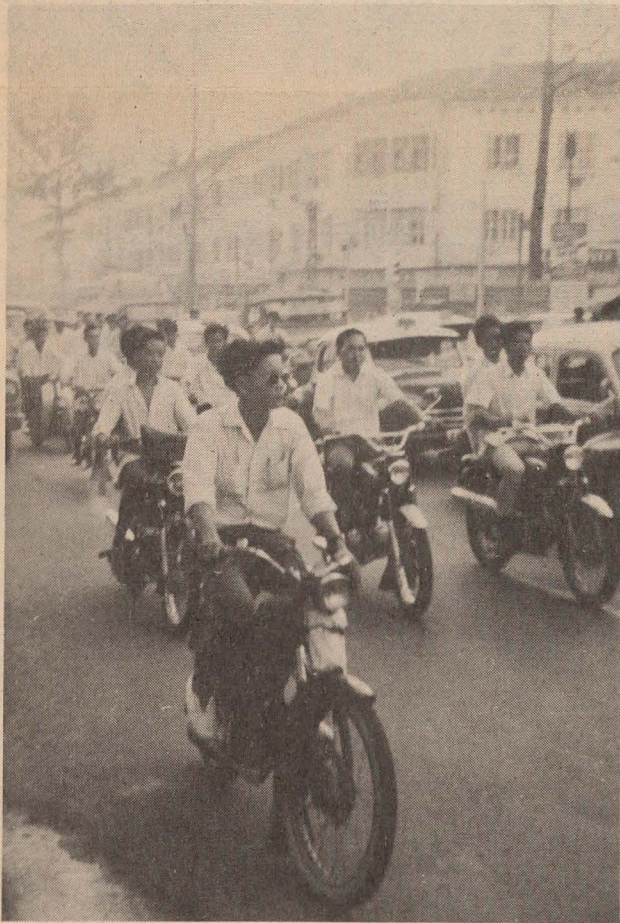
For a number of years the outside world has tried to find out just what is going on within Vietnam's boundaries. Rumors, false reports, and conjecture have plagued the reporting world, creating an air of mystery around the once highly publicized exotic land.

Slowly, with great difficulty, informed sources have been able to provide information about the changing life style in Vietnam, the country that was once called "The Pearl of the Orient."

Just what is known about life in this tiny oriental country today? One thing that is known for sure is that the streets of Saigon (now Ho Chi Minh City) have changed. The thin veil of blue smoke from thousands of motorcycles has disappeared. The flashing neon signs of Tu Do Street are darkened, and pimps, hawkers and black marketeers are rarely seen on the waterfront.

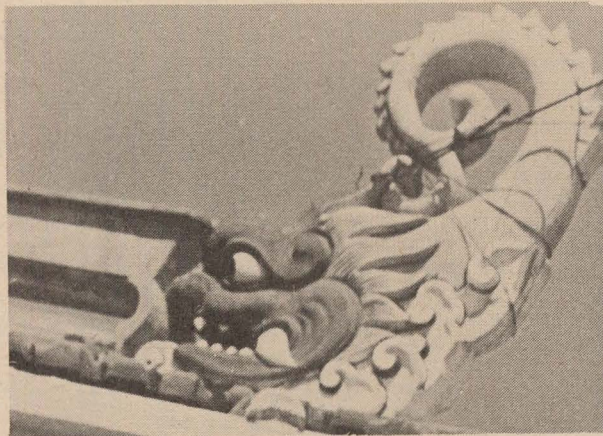
The hospital ship that was once moored in Da Nang is scrap metal now, and the barbed wire beaches in Qui Nhon are vacant.

The barracks in Cam Ranh Bay are rotting, and the huts along Highway #1, near Long Binh, no longer enclose Coca-Cola concessions or sell tiny bottles of gasoline.



The heavy traffic in Saigon has disappeared.

American involvement is obviously over, too. No American soldiers are patrolling the streets, or charging through the brush in the Mekong Delta, or lobbing mortars along the DMZ. No longer is the American soldier rendering training assistance to the Vietnamese soldier, or providing food supplies to the Vietnamese people.



Chinese are leaving Vietnam in droves.

However, the lack of American presence has not ended the nightmare of war for the Vietnamese people. The Communist takeover seems to have just resulted in another era of contention for a nation already used to constant confrontation.

In an attempt to "re-educate" the populace about their new way of life and government, re-orientation teams have been sent in by the Communists. As a result of these long orientation sessions, tiny hamlets have become bustling havens for the forlorn.

From all reports, all is not well in this country situated just south of China.

One recent report spoke of massive migration from the cities to the rice fields. The forced migration occurred because of a need for work and food.

Another report spoke of severe tension existing between the Chinese and Vietnamese people living within the nation's borders. This tension is centered around a scramble for food and money. With the forced closure of private business, the Chinese, who operated most businesses in the cities, were forced to look for jobs. Consequently, many Vietnamese now view the Chinese ex-businessmen as burdens in the job market, and extra mouths to feed.

One correspondent noted chaos in business and farming. He claimed the people of the south were suffering because of a lack of economic support from Hanoi. In essence, it appears that the Communist takeover has not erased the previous division between north and south Vietnam.

On top of all this, there are reports of strained relations with the neighboring countries of China and Cambodia. This problem, reporters say, stems

from prejudice displayed against the Chinese by the Vietnamese hierarchy. These prejudice claims are backed by pictures of mass evacuations of Chinese packed in boats, or walking in droves, bound for native soil. There are also reports of bloody battles between the Cambodians and Vietnamese as a result of territorial differences.

What will happen to this nation called Vietnam? What will become of the people who live in this exotic land covered with mountains and beautiful sandy beaches? With so little information flowing out of this nation, it is difficult to speculate.

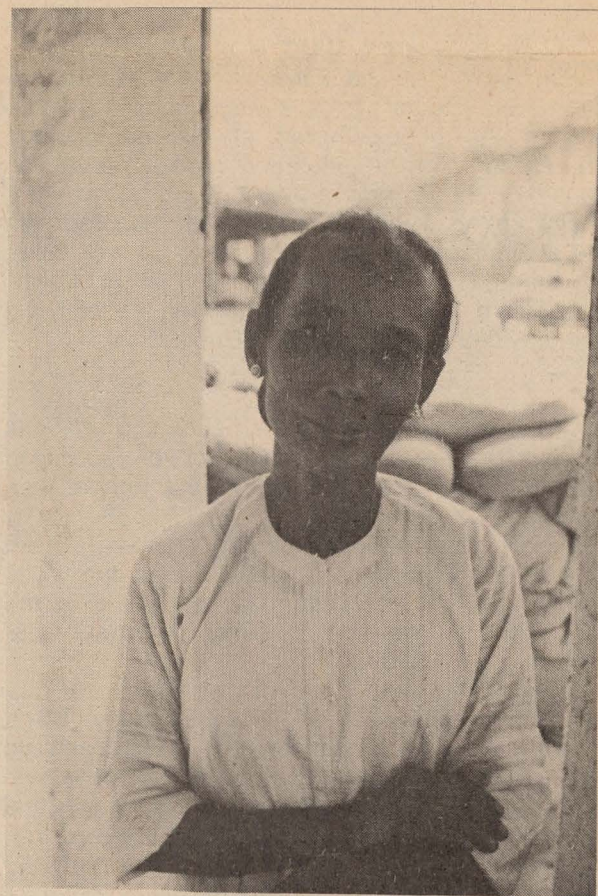
Additionally, speculation could be dangerous, but probably few people would argue with the observation that "The Pearl of the Orient" has become "The Pearl of Great Price."

And so, life in Vietnam continues, though obviously not as before.

There is a new regime and a new life style. There are new rules to contend with, new economic and industrial hurdles to stride, and new political problems.

This transition may take years to accomplish. What then for Vietnam?

Perhaps the nation will progress and take its place among the powers of Asia. Or perhaps, it will choose to remain silent, weaving a web of mystery, closing its doors to all outside influence.



What will become of the people who live in this exotic land?

## 203rd for Chaplains

For two hundred and three years, the Chaplains' Corps has ministered to the needs of men and women in uniform.

The official 203rd anniversary celebration of the Chaplains' Corps will be held Monday on the Presidio in the Portola Room of the Officers' Club at 2:30 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend this function.

The legal origin of the Chaplaincy as part of the American military service is found in a resolution of the Continental Congress dated July 29, 1775. The title "Chaplain" goes back to a legend concerning Martin of Tours, who gave half of his cloak to a shivering beggar. The half that he kept,

known as "capella," became an object of veneration. The title "chappellians," began to be applied to the keepers of the cloak - clergy who ministered in giving aid and comfort to all in need.

In the United States it was quite natural for the town clergyman to march off to battle with units of the Revolutionary militia and become the Chaplain. John Hurt was the first to be awarded a chaplaincy commission in the United States Army. He served until April 30, 1794. David Jones was the second Regular Army Chaplain. His work included visiting the sick, burying the dead, performing marriages, and preaching. These plus many added activities are a vital part of the Army Chaplaincy today.



# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

The term "newbie" is applied to those who arrive at a post and struggle to find their way around and just appear to be lost in their new surroundings. Eventually, the "newbie" becomes oriented and loses the "newbie" appearance. That's a great feeling — to know you finally are adjusted to new surroundings.

A lot of levies are coming down this time of year. Seems that the "oldies" on the Presidio will become the "newbies" elsewhere. The hassle of moving could be made easier if only we would look on the move as a challenge - not a change. The Words of Wisdom for the Week refer to challenges. John F. Kennedy once said, "A man does what he must - in spite of consequences, in spite of obstacles and dangers and pressures - and that is the basis of all human morality."

"Actions speak louder than words" is a familiar saying. The word for the week is "action." Charles Perrault (Mother Goose) once said, "A man of words and not deeds is like a garden full of weeds." Take the time to help someone out today. Thanks.

D, Co. 864th Engrs. Bn. reports the welcomed arrival of PVTs Bernard Hagan, and Martin Guswiler from AIT. The unit bid farewell to PFC Gerald Dekarske and Pvt. 2 Marshall Worster. Both left for Germany. Off to school for CBR training at Ft. Lewis are Pvt. 2 Timothy South and Sgt. Richard Miley. Good luck to both of you!

LTC Donald R. Smith of Sixth Army ADCSPA has a son to be proud of. His son, Scott, has been appointed to the U.S. Military Academy at West Point.

HQ Sixth Region, CIDC is busily preparing for its Quarterly Hail and Farewell. Capt. Karen Kenyon, my stringer for this headquarters, will be one of the people hailed at this get-together. Thanks for all your info, and glad to have you aboard on the Presidio!

The 402nd MP Co. was recently honored with the presentation of an award, for a job well done, by General Walker, CG, 9th Div. at Ft. Lewis. The award was for the outstanding support the unit provided during operation "Brave Shield."

On to community news — be on the look out for our readers survey which will be published here in a few weeks. We are anxious to hear your comments about the paper.

The Presidio NCO Wives Club will have a bake sale at LAMC. on Tuesday. On Friday, the wives will be taking their children for an outing at the Exploritorium. Interested in joining the club? Contact Jo Leach - 3550.

Some last minute news on the 170th MP Co. SFC David Evans arrived from Germany. SSgt. Richard Harmon is the new supply sergeant. He came from Korea. Also arrived are: Sgt. Loyal Nigong, Sp4 Manuel Owens from Germany, and PVTs Dallas Henry and Bill Leitschuh from AIT. Welcome! ETSing are Sgt. Richard Barnard and Sp4 David Washington. Promos were given to Jodi Hanson and John Gibbs - both to Sgt. The 170th also just returned from Ft. Irwin where they supported 6/80th Arty Gp in a field exercise.

Take care and talk to you next week.

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## Ramblin' Sam



What would you rename the Star Presidian?



Sp4 Richard Allen, Mil Pers Clerk, COMPACT — "I would call it 'The Chronicle.' I like the sports coverage in the San Francisco Chronicle. It is the first thing I look for in the 'Star Presidian.' Since the 'Star Presidian' provides me with the same type of info as the Chronicle, the new name I suggested would be appropriate.



Capt. Gene Thorton, Ch, Admin Services, Post HQ — Just "The Presidian." The Star reminds me of a thick newspaper edition. The Star Presidian is too small a paper to bear the star type label."

Mrs. Francine Pettigrew, Composing Machine Operator, Field Printing Plant — "The Presidio Examiner, because like the 'San Francisco Examiner,' the 'Star Presidian' articles provide us with in depth examinations of the topics discussed."



Mrs. Shirley Smith, wife of SFC James Smith, Presidio — "Just change the name to 'The Presidian.' The 'Star' is not necessary. 'The Presidian' says it all for the Presidio.



Sp4 Steve Thieriault, Parachute Rigger, USAG — "The Presidio Activity," because I believe the paper should show what's going on here and in the San Francisco area. Not enough is printed about the activities available in the area.



Sp4 Carol Arnold, LPN, Recovery Room, LAMC — "The Presidio Times." I think the title has class."

Mrs. Shirley Graves, Mil Pers Clerk, Post HQ — "The Presidio Viewer." I would call it this because the Presidio hills provide many beautiful views, while reading the newspaper provides you with many other views.



Mrs. Pat Schoeller, Pre-School Teacher, Presidio — "The Golden Gate Presidian," because you would want to bring in the Presidio and the bridge which is one of the symbols of the city where we are located.

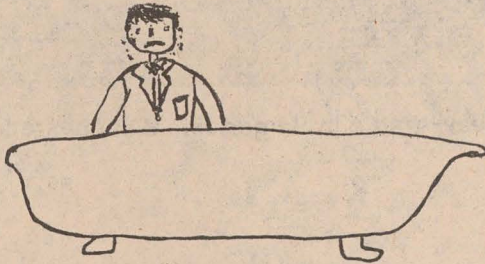


## SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

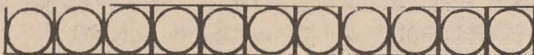
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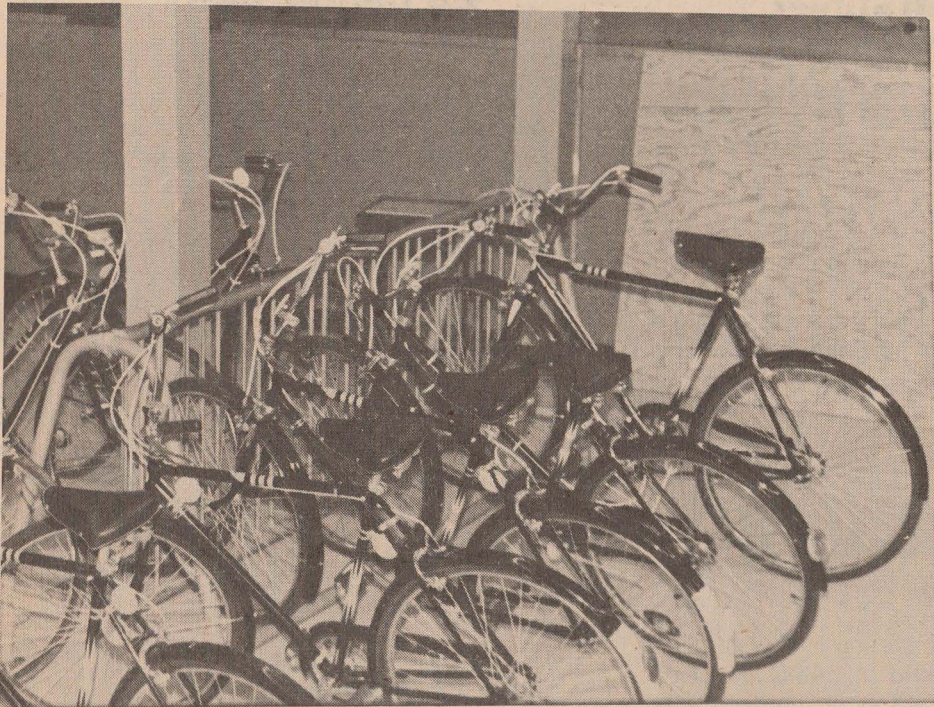
Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.



# For a few dollars more

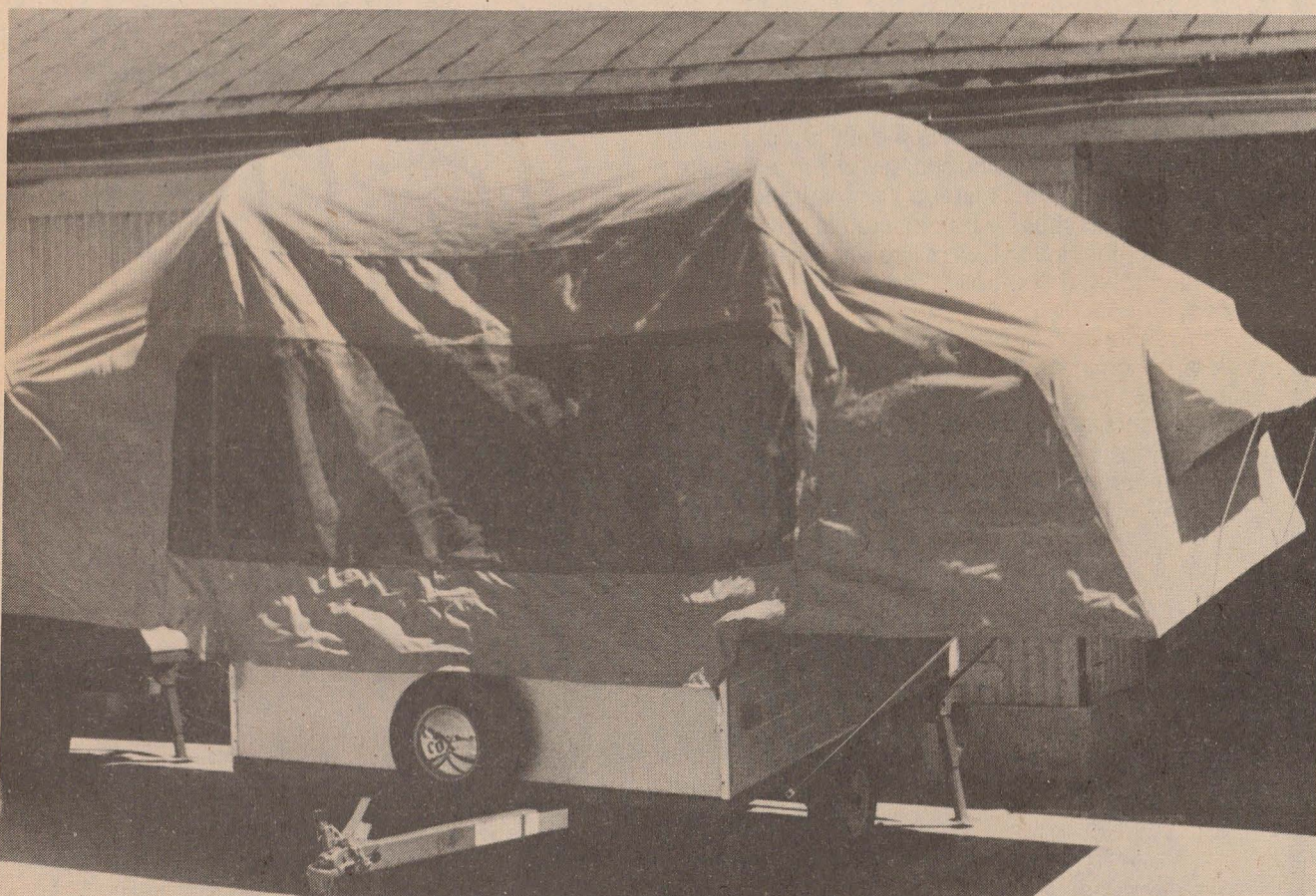


Ten-speed bicycles like these can be rented out for only \$1.25 a day or \$5.00 a week.



Camping trailers of various sizes and shapes are available. Rental rates vary from \$3.00 to \$6.00 a day, depending on the unit.

story and photos by Ron Renouf



Take the time to get ahead and relax. Set up tent and camp.

If you're looking for a dollar's value for a dollar spent, don't overlook the Outdoor Recreation Office.

Whatever your taste in fun and games in the sun, Outdoor Rec probably will be able to provide you with the equipment you need at an unbelievably low rental charge.

Equipment charges range from 'two bits' a day for a toboggan sled to only \$5.00 daily for a fishing boat, motor and trailer — life jackets are included with the boat at no extra charge.

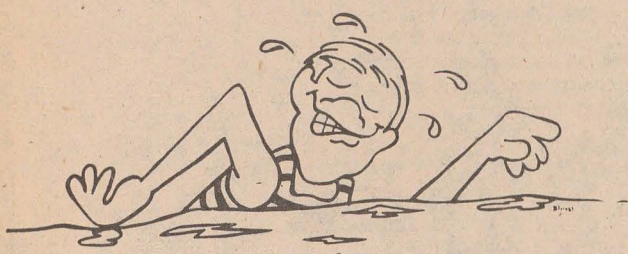
Other items available include tents, camping stoves, backpacks and frames, sleeping bags and both 3-speed and 10-speed bicycles.

A wide variety of boats are available including fishing boats, and the high powered outfits used for water skiing.

The winter sport enthusiast is not forgotten, either. Both downhill and cross country skis along with boots, poles, cartop carriers, gloves and goggles are on hand.

If you're planning a weekend outing, check out your Recreation Services office. They probably have something you need to make your weekend or vacation more enjoyable, and less expensive!

## Sports at a glance



All personnel interested in officiating in the Presidio Intramural Flag Football Program are urged to contact the Sports Branch, telephone 561-4120/5032. Clinic will be scheduled prior to the start of league play. For further information contact Mr. Hammes or Mr. Gascon at the Presidio Sports office.

Racquetball lessons will be available Mondays at Post Gym #2 starting August 14. The time will be 5 - 6 p.m. for beginners and intermediates. The class limit is eight active duty personnel. Each player will furnish a racquet and racquetballs. For information and signups, visit the Sports Branch office, Post Gym Bldg. 63 by August 10.

Sports Branch, Recreation Services Division will conduct classes in senior lifesaving commencing at 6 p.m., August 7. Classes will be for two hours duration on Monday and Wednesday, continuing for five weeks. Active duty military, retirees and dependents are encouraged to sign up at the Sports Office, Bldg. 63, or call ext. 4120/5032, not later than noon, August 7.





# Women's Day speaker



The Hon. Ollie Marie-Victoire will be the guest speaker for the annual Women's Day observance which will be held on the Presidio on August 25.

# Senate puts hold on surcharge

The Senate last week passed an amendment to the Military Procurement Authorizations bill that would exempt commissary baggers from the Fair Labor Standards Act and keep them on income earned from tips.

Despite the ease with which the senate passed the amendment by voice vote, it is unlikely that action will be completed in time to stop the conversion of baggers to employee status on July 30, according to a capitol hill observer.

If the amendment does survive in the joint conference, it is still subject to full house approval. Likewise, any changes to the senate version by the conference would require additional approval by that chamber.

As a consequence, the Department of Defense has put a "hold" on the surcharge until September 30, according to Fred Gillard, Deputy Commissary Officer at the Presidio. Baggers will remain on tips at least until that date.

This latest round of congressional action was touched off when the Civil Service Commission ordered DOD to pay Federal Minimum Wage Standard salaries to baggers effective July 30, and made the minimum wages retroactive to May 1, 1974. Officials have estimated that salaries will cost DOD at least \$12 million a year and at least \$35 million in back wages.

The cost of paying salaries was slated to be passed on to commissary customers beginning July 30 by tacking a two percent surcharge to all commissary purchases.

# News Break

## Oakland Raiders

Army families are invited to see the Oakland Raiders practice on Family Day, July 29, at their summer camp at Santa Rosa Community College. Attractions include team and individual drills, play demonstrations and all the other essential things a team needs to get ready for the exhibition season. Players will be available to pose for photos and sign autographs. The Sixth Army Band and the 91st Division Pipe Band will provide the music, while the Raiderettes, Oakland's cheerleaders, do their thing. The Raiderettes will be escorted by Army recruiters. Gates open at noon and admission is free.

## Poison Oak

There has been a sharp increase in the number of cases of poison oak treated at LAMC. Most of the patients seem to have come in contact with the plant on post, where it grows wild. A LAMC pediatrician advises parents to be careful about where they allow their children to play.

## Pay increase

Take home pay will increase for most servicemembers by 40 cents starting this month, according to a DOD spokesman. The tiny change, which results from a drop in Servicemen's Group Life Insurance (SGLI) premiums, will probably be reflected in pay vouchers by next month, though it went into effect on July 1. On the standard \$20,000 policy the premium will be reduced from \$3.40 to \$3 a month.

The reason for the decrease, according to local Veterans Administration spokesman Ted Jorgensen, is because the "mortality rate is low" among servicemembers in peacetime. The decrease will mean a total savings of \$14 million per year for active and reserve personnel in all the services.

## Ed Center news

The Education Center is offering a special mini Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) preparatory course for E-6s and above who want to raise their GT scores to qualify for Army schools or to advance their careers. The course, which stresses math, reading and vocabulary building, has been shortened from ten weeks to four and will be held Monday thru Friday, 7:30 to 11:30 a.m., from August 7 to September 1. Interested E-6s and above should contact the Education Center, Bldg. 1216, Ext. 4419/4445 for further information or to enroll.

If there is sufficient interest and enrollment in this short course, it will be scheduled again later in the year. The next scheduled ASVAB prep course is a regular ten week course to begin in September. The starting date will be announced in August.

## Presidio on TV

KPIX-TV, Channel 5, will be presenting a feature on the Presidio, on August 3. The television show, "Evening Magazine," will show an interview with the Post Commander, and films of the Presidio.



## Movies

**THE PACK (PG)** A vacation for engaged couple Joe Don Baker and Hope Alexander-Willis turns into a nightmare when an island is overrun by vicious hungry dogs left behind by thoughtless tourists. They must try to outwit the dogs as they attack their victims with chilling accuracy. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

**THE SEA GYPSIES (G)** On an around-the-world journey aboard a trawler, Robert Logan and his two daughters are surprised when a male reporter expected to cover the trip turns out to be a woman. A severe storm forces them to abandon ship and they must hunt for food and elude the dangers of the wilds.

**I WANNA HOLD YOUR HAND (PG)** Beatlemania is the driving force behind a group of determined teenagers who go to great lengths to see the British quartet on their first visit to the U.S. They will do anything to get to their idols. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**THE LAST REMAKE OF BEAU GESTE (PG)** Angered that his wife died in childbirth and bore only a daughter, Trevor Howard goes to an orphanage for a male heir. The youth has an identical twin who, even as a child, bears an uncanny resemblance to Marty Feldman. When the boys are grown, Howard takes a wife (Ann-Margret) who sets her sights on the family jewels and her stepson (Michael York). Some material may not be suitable for children.

**GREASE (PG)** This is the story of a high school romance between popular gang leader Travolta and Olivia Newton-John. It's school dances, pajama parties, drag-strip racing, and making out at drive-ins, all set to music. Some material may not be suitable for children.

**PRESIDIO THEATER**  
**Friday, July 28, Silver Bears, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, July 29, For The Love of Benji, (G), 2 p.m.**  
**Saturday, July 29, The Last Remake of Beau Geste, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Sunday, July 30, The Big Sleep, (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, July 31, The Big Sleep, (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, Aug. 1, Audrey Rose, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, Aug. 2, Damnation Alley, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, Aug. 3, The Pack, (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Friday, Aug. 4, The Pack, (R), 7 p.m.**

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**  
**Friday, July 28, Airport '77, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, July 31, FM, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, Aug. 1, The Chosen, (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, Aug. 2, The Farmer, (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, Aug. 3, Silver Bears, (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Friday, Aug. 4, The Last Remake of Beau Geste, (PG), 7 p.m.**





# PSF provides a future

by Bill Coats

Finding employment in today's job market can be a difficult task, especially if you are sixteen years old and still in high school.

The Presidio has recognized the problems students face in summer job hunting. As a result, it is cooperating with the San Francisco Mayor's Office in a program of summer hire for local students. The program is titled "The Youth Work Program."

As a total work force, the program encompasses over three thousand individuals from the San Francisco School District. They range in age from 16-18, and the majority come from low income areas. The Presidio has employed 224 of these youth. They work for three hours a day and are paid a minimum wage.

The Youth Work Program gives the students an opportunity to go through the process of job-hunting as well as get on the job experience. Each student fills out a job application and then he or she is required to go through a job interview. Part of the reason for the interview is to determine where the student's job interest lies: those youths working on the Presidio, for example, have fourteen different job locations to choose from. Some training areas for the students here



are: general clerical, nursing assistance and grounds maintenance.

An important aspect of the Presidio's cooperation in the program is that the hirees develop responsibility by being put in a real job situation. Said Bob Hicks, of CPO, who is the Presidio Student Program Coordinator, "The students learn to work in the real world and get good job experience. Their attitude is great and they demonstrate confidence in completing their job assignments."

Most of all, the program gives the student the feeling of being wanted, and satisfaction in knowing they have accomplished something. Also, comes the realization that someday they may be rewarded for their summer efforts: those youth who demonstrate outstanding aptitude in the Youth Work Program can be considered for temporary or permanent positions with the government after completing their high school education.

Finding a job in today's world can be a difficult task, but the Youth Work Program is an example of a real attempt to provide hope for future adults who will take their place in society.

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# The Army's summer school

by Rebecca Hall

When an Army Reservist does his active duty time, it usually consists of one weekend a month. However, every year each Reservist also has two solid weeks of active duty training, usually during the summer.

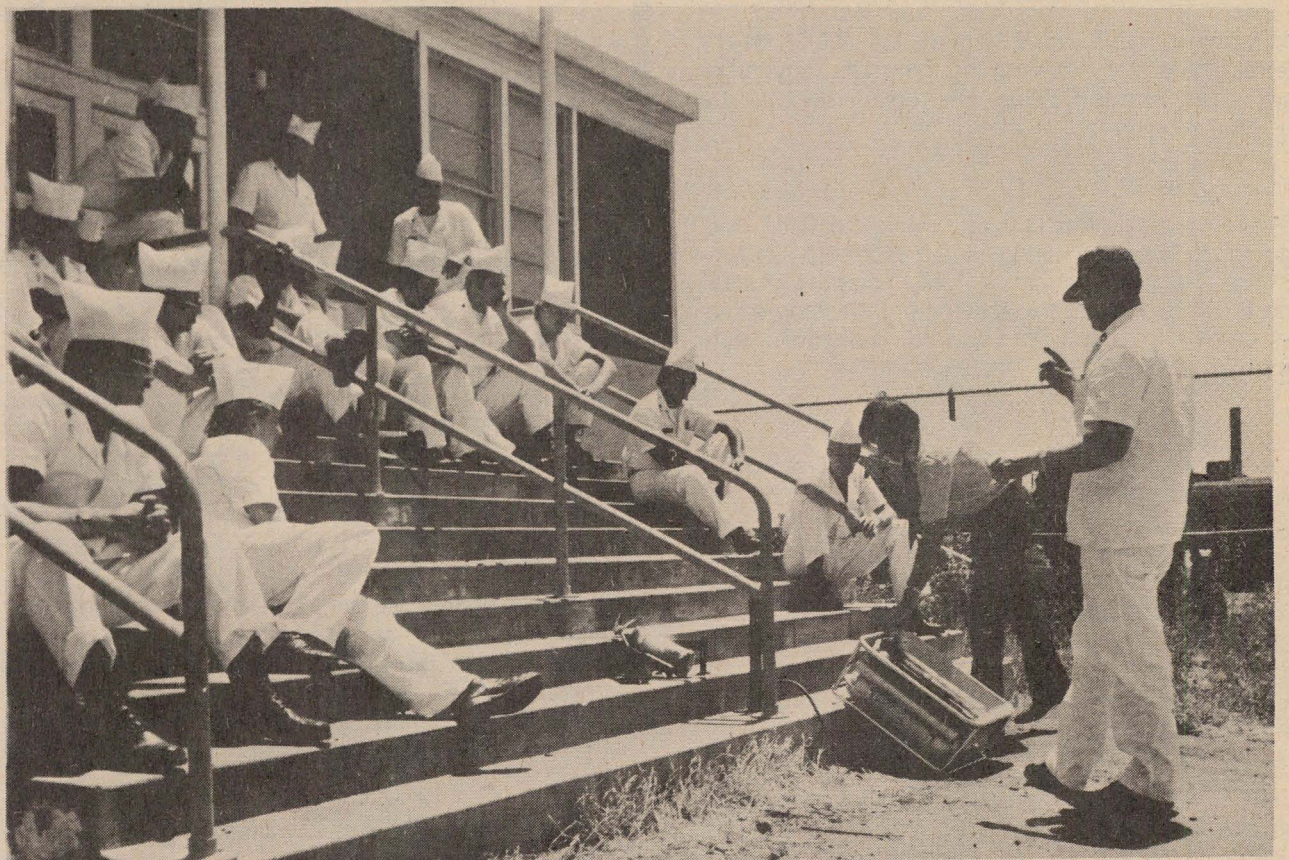
This training can involve anything from two weeks in the field on maneuvers, to two weeks in school learning a military skill.

For the Reservists who spend their two weeks at Camp Parks, located a few miles north of Pleasanton, Calif., in Alameda County, the time is filled with a rigorous course of study. It is here that many of the Reservists obtain or retain their Military Occupational Skill (MOS).

There are seven schools in progress during this training period, July 24 through August 4. Courses are offered in the Nuclear/Biological/Chemical (NBC), Legal Clerk, Court Reporter, Admin Specialist, Supply, Food Service, and Military Police MOSs.

"These Reservists come from all over the Sixth Army area," explained Colonel Owen Wiese, Commandant, Sioux Falls USAR School at Camp Parks, "and they're all here for one purpose — to learn a skill."

Many of the courses offered at Camp Parks are becoming 'self-paced' (where a student progresses at his own rate). Because of this, there is also an Instructor Training Course in session. During this program, the instructors will learn how to guide students to a successful completion of their self-paced courses as well as offer explanations and answers to any questions which might arise.



As part of the Cook Training School at Camp Parks, Mr. Bob Castro, of MAIT Readiness Region IX, assists SFC David Bukovi, reservist instructor. (Photo by Willie Moore)

The Reservists stationed at Camp Parks undertake their studies with a dedicated, determined attitude. They are there to succeed. But the studying is not all work and no play.

The cooks, in particular, seemed to add a bit of 'spice' to their lives — with sweet rolls, pies, cakes and all sorts of 'edibles.' The sampling of the wares is one of the highlights of their training.

At the end of each day, all the students participate in a bit of 'organized relaxation.' Thirty minutes of PT each afternoon, before calling it a day, is required. But these troops make the best of it, and the laughter and jokes override the few grippers.

"The program this year is much better than it's been in the past," explained Col. Weiss. "Not only are the courses better organized, with the instructors teaching in their proper fields, but the place itself has seen some improvements! There's a dayroom now and the majority of the classrooms are air-conditioned. The place is much nicer than it was, and as I understand it, more improvements are scheduled for the future."

"If you keep the students busy and keep classroom instruction interesting, the people are able to leave here feeling their two weeks were well spent," Col. Weiss stated. "They leave here with a feeling of accomplishment."



# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Hi all and welcome to another week of Troop Talk!

Met a lot of interesting people while ramblin' for Ramblin' Sam this week. One person asked me if she could make submissions of stories to the **Star Presidian**. Anyone can make a submission to the paper. The submissions are more than welcome. Speaking of submissions, in August we will be doing an edition that will cover clubs on the Presidio. If you want to make a submission about your club, please do so by Tuesday. We will try to give the club good coverage.

The Public Affairs Office will be making farewells to **SFC Ron Renouf** who will be retiring shortly. We are looking for someone who would be interested in taking Ron's place to do Sports coverage on a volunteer basis for the paper. Interested? Contact us at 3908. Thanks.

Considering how you will approach a particular person can be a problem. Perhaps the Words of Wisdom this week will help you out — "Diplomacy is to do and say the nastiest thing in the nicest way." These words were written by Isaac Goldberg.

Think before you say anything. Said Jean Cocteau: "Mirrors should reflect a little before throwing back images."

**Sgt. Pierre Testart** from Gym #2 reported that **SSgt. Harold Swartz**, 170th MP Co., NCOIC of Gym #2 has been awarded an alternate MOS of 03C - Recreation NCO. Both the fencing club and the Karate Group have openings for new students. Fencing meets Monday and Thursday at 7 p.m. and karate meets Tuesday and Thursday at 5 p.m.

Racquetball reservations are accepted on Thursday mornings at 7:30 a.m. **Dr. (LTC) Henry Bellaci**, head of the morning heart therapy program at the gym is ETSing. His replacement will be **Dr. (Maj.) Terry Tri**.

**Readiness Region IX** bids farewell to **CW4 Joe Rodriguez** who is retiring in the Northern California area. Also departing is **LTC Tony Johnson**, who is off to Hawaii for assignment. Welcomed to the command are **CW3 Donald Halbrook** from Japan and **SSgt. Clyde Barton** from Germany.

In a recent excursion to Alaska, **SSgt. John Mosier** and **Cpl. James Walker** of the 402nd MP Co. participated in the Northern Warfare School's summer session. **Sgt. Richard Smith** just returned from CID school at Ft. McClellan. **PFC Jeff Borgen** is PCSing to Germany. **Cpl. Tracy Ramthum** and wife **Sp4 Georgiann** are PCSing to Hawaii. The unit wishes you well! Congrats are in order for **Curtiss Taylor** and **Mark Simmons** — both promoted to Sp4.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn.** sends hearty congratulations to the **Young** family. The **Youngs** are proud parents of a new 7 lb. 11 oz. baby girl - **Johanna Marie**. Promoted was **Sp5 Arlene McClain**.

**Lt. Denise McGann**, Communication Officer for the 504th MP Bn, was promoted to 1st Lt.

Over at 51st Engrs., the stringer reported the arrival of **PV2 Lisa Hayes** from Ft. Leonard Wood. **Lisa** is happy about her assignment to the Presidio and the 51st. **Lisa's** twin sister also works out of the 51st. They both hold the same job skill - Air Compressor Roller Operator! **PFC Lewayne Fox** was farewelled by the unit. He departed for Korea. **SSgt. Albert De Los Santos** completed a special correspondence course for Band personnel. He also completed the 1SG career course being offered by the Air Force.

## Ramblin' Sam



**SP5 Gloria Jocius, Nursing Student, LAMC** — "I say the two percent raise would be good. Baggers do hard work. Unfortunately, the new system would cut out jobs for the younger student."



**In order to pay Commissary baggers, which system do you prefer: the two percent surcharge or tipping?**

**Sp5 Donna Johnson, Criminal Investigation Clerk, HQ Sixth Rgn CIDC** — "I prefer the tipping system. A salary would bring about work security, and the bagger could sluff off in his performance. The tip system keeps them on their toes."



**Mrs. Ilona Sovine, wife of Sgt. Ronald Sovine, Motor Pool** — "I think the two percent system is better. The baggers work hard all day long and sometimes only get a little tip. The new system of two percent would give normal pay for hard work."



**Mrs. Vi Sheridan, Chief, Command Information, PAO** — "I think the surcharge would be fair as I have seen many people tip so little for many bags of groceries. It would also make getting the job as a bagger more competitive."



**Mrs. Cindy Glover, Word Clerk, LAMC** — "I like the tipping system. I like to tip a person according to the work he has performed for me."



**SFC Donald Carpenter, Admin NCO, USACC Agency** — "I prefer the two percent system. Many wives will have the advantage of having the bags packed and also brought to their car."



**HQ Sixth Rgn CIDC** reported that **SFC Carl Jones** is proud of his son Ray who is pending appointment to the Air Force Academy. Ray was Sixth Army Chief of Staff on Youth Government Day, and also received a Certificate from the Post Commander in recognition of his quick thinking. Ray saved a child from drowning in the Letterman Pool.

**Mrs. Carolyn Pence**, accounting clerk for Sixth Rgn. has coordinated a field day for children associated with the Jewish Community Center. The children will be brought to the San Francisco Field Office for a demonstration of equipment, including the finger printing and polygraph machines.

**16th AG Postal** is busily preparing for its role in the Reforger exercise.

**D. Co, 864th Engrs.** reported **1SG Stanley McDaniel** has retired. **Sgt. Robert Beir** ETSed. **Sp5 John McVade** departed for Germany. Arrived are **Sgt. Victor Rice** from Germany, **Sgt. Thomas Corbett** from Korea, and **PVT Jeffrey March**, from AIT at Ft. Leonard Wood. **SSgt. Michael Oletti** successfully completed CBR school at Ft. Lewis.

**USACC Agency** proudly welcomes new members **2LT Jeffery Hirota**, **Sgt. Gertrude Elder**, **Sgt. Bruce Fehling**, **Sp5 David Cabe**, **Sp4 Vincent Morris**, **Sp4 David Newman**, **Sp4 Mark Ross**, **PFC Frank Hinz** and **PFC Thomas Wurtz**.

PCSing were **Sgt. Maureen Rayner** to Germany and **Sp5 Jeffery Nitta** to Korea. Thanks for your efforts while assigned to the Communications Agency and good luck in your new assignment!

Thanks also to the agency softball players and supporters **LTC Harvey**, **"Top" Headings**, and **Typist McElroy**. It was an interesting season.

Congratulations are in order for **Sp4 Randy Folks** who graduated in July from the 7th Infantry Division Primary Leadership Course (PLC) at Fort Ord, Calif. Due to his determination, he became the first member of this agency to graduate from this course.

Our headline on last week's page four was in error ("Senate puts hold on surcharge"). It should have read "DOD" instead of "Senate." The Defense Department took the action after the Senate passed an amendment that would keep baggers on tips.

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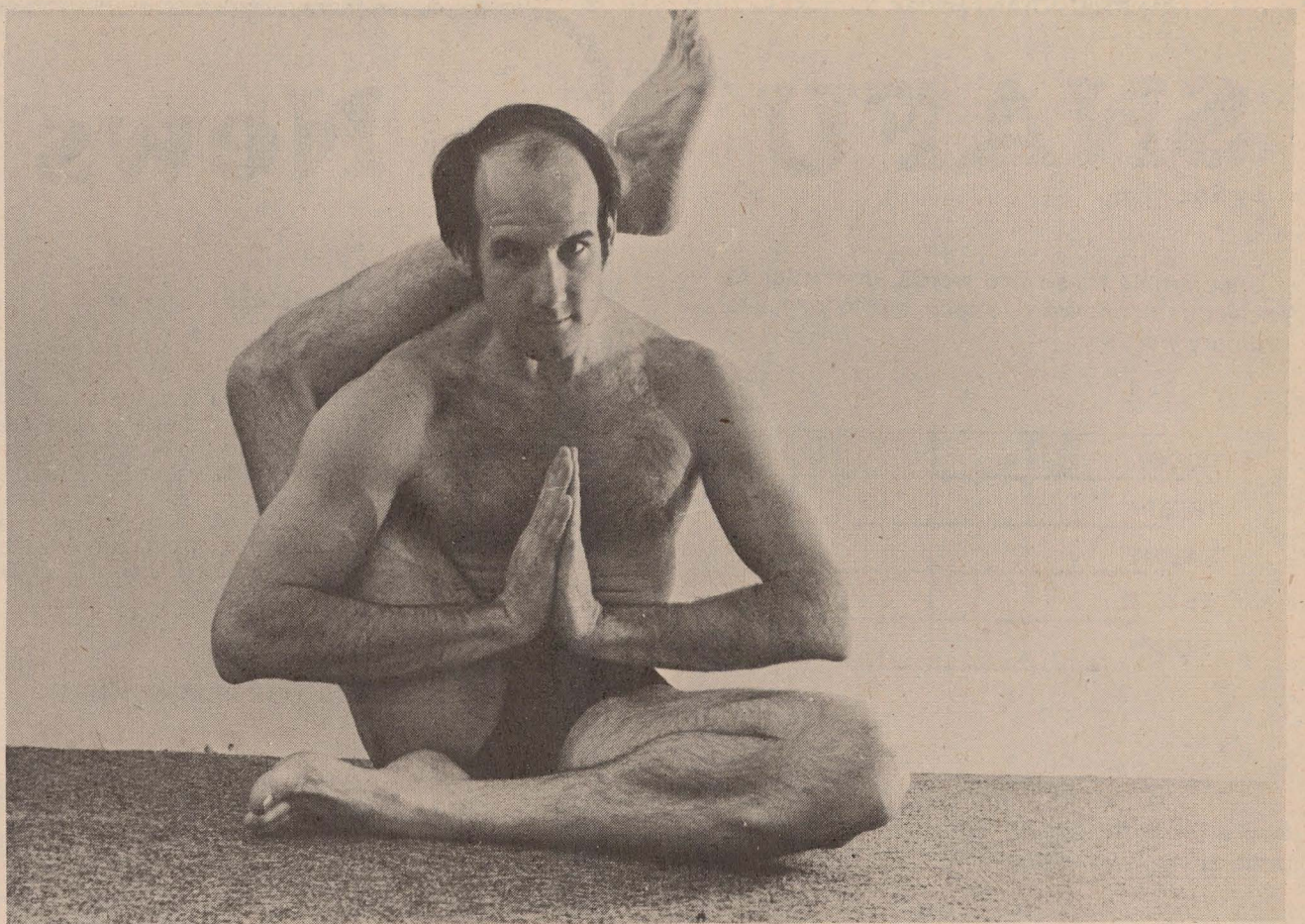
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# Can you do this?

Have you been looking for the perfect program for physical fitness? Maybe you've tried jogging, old-fashioned calisthenics, isometrics, and competitive sports to build up your strength and endurance, but have found that you just don't have time for all of them. Then perhaps you should look into the age-old system of yoga. It is an intensely practical approach to daily living which deals directly with body/mind tightness without conflict or resistance. Regular practitioners of this art claim to experience new realms of psychological and physical health.

To demonstrate the potential which yoga holds for you, Rich Miller, Director of the Marin School of Yoga, will conduct a workshop during Women's Day, August 25. (More details on Women's Day will follow in later issues of the STAR PRESIDIAN.)



**Instructor Rick Miller will conduct a yoga workshop here as part of the Women's Day program. (Photo provided by Marin School of Yoga)**

## The age of Aquarius

When you think of swimming you usually think of summer. But summer isn't the only time for swimming.

The Aquarius Swim Team, a Presidio Youth Activity, practices on a daily basis from 4 to 6 p.m. at Pool #2 (Letterman Pool) and participates in swimming meets throughout the year.

Chartered with the Pacific Coast Amateur Athletic Union (AAU), Aquarius Team membership is open to dependents, 5 to 18 years old, of all active duty personnel, retirees, and Reservists on active duty.

You don't have to be an outstanding swimmer to join, either. The only swimming ability required is that you be able to make it from one end of the pool to the other. This can be done any way you

can...dog paddling, floating or free-style swimming.

A desire to learn and an enjoyment of swimming are the two main items needed to make a successful Aquarian. These, coupled with team spirit, create close friendships among the team members.

Parents of the swimmers must also be dedicated. Their help is needed in assisting their children's progress in swimming, to insure the swimmers' presence at the meets and to boost the swimmers' morale.

However, the Aquarius Swim Team doesn't spend all of its time in the water. Each year the team sponsors trips to Great America and a Winter Ski Trip to Lake Tahoe. Then, two times a year the club holds an awards banquet to recognize the swimming achievements of its members.

At present there are 60 swimmers on the team. With the ultimate goal at 100, the team is always looking for new members.

Anyone interested in joining the team can swim with them for one week, then decide whether or not to continue. Daily swimming is not mandatory, but can become a habit!

The team is financed through dues paid by each family represented. Dues are \$5.00 a month per family, regardless of the number of swimmers in that family. Bake sales and the Presidio Thrift Shop also contribute to the financing, and the team recycles paper at the Recycling Center every Tuesday at 4 p.m.

For more information contact either Don Perez or Morgan Kulla, coaches, at the pool.

## Sports at a glance

### Basketball Tourney

The Presidio-based Armed Forces Basketball Team departs tomorrow for Europe and the Mideast for the 1978 Consiel Internationale DuSport Militaire (CISM) Basketball Championships.

The U.S. Team will, as usual, enter the tournament as the odds-on favorite to capture the world title.

Coached by the Presidio's Hal Fischer and trainer Ron Logan, also from here, this year's squad carries a number of familiar names from the Interservice Tournament won by the Army at Treasure Island earlier this year.

From that All-Army team are Jim King, Jim Penn, Larry Rogers, Pierre Russell, Hancel Banks, and Al Forney. Joining the squad in International Competition are Gary Winton, Larry Warren, William Higgins, and Harold Fox.

Prior to the CISM Tournament slated for Damascus, Syria this year, the U.S. Team will be in Spain, August 6-12, and Yugoslavia, August 13-19 and then on to Damascus from August 20 through September 1.

They are expected to return to the Presidio September 3.

Fischer has also been selected to participate as an instructor in the International Clinics for Greek Army Coaches and Officials during the period of September 3-6 when he will be in Athens.

### Golf Tourney results

The Presidio Senior's golf team of Jimmy Stinebaugh, USAG and Ron Whitecliff, USACIDC emerged victorious in the recent Western Region Tournament, held at Ft. Ord. Stinebaugh won the individual Senior's title with a 72 hole total of 304. Whitecliff finished in the 8th position in the Seniors Division.

In the Open Division, Henry Smith, USAG, and Lon Peterson, LAIR, playing in the second flight, finished in the number one and two positions respectively. Fred Glenister, 864th Eng., playing the Championship Flight, finished in the 16th position and Clarence Nakatsukasa, 6th Army, finished in the 14th position playing in the 1st flight.

At press time word was received from Department of the Army that Jimmy Stinebaugh will be going to Ft. Benning, Ga. from August 16 - 26 for the All-Army Trials.

### Racquetball lessons

Racquetball lessons will be available at Post Gym #2, Bldg #1152, starting Monday, August 14. Class will be held from 5 to 6 p.m. for beginners and intermediates. It's limited to eight active duty personnel. Each player must furnish a racquet and racquetballs. For information and signups, visit the Sports Branch office, Post Gym #1, Bldg #63, by August 11.

### Wildlife habitat

A number of small wet meadow areas in the Mendocino National Forest are being fenced off in order to protect them from damage by grazing cattle in a cooperative effort of the California Department of Fish and Game, the U.S. Forest Service, and the California Conservation Corps.

The wet meadows are critical wildlife habitat, providing water, cover, and food for many species of wildlife including deer, blue grouse, quail, songbirds and rodents. The wet meadows support a great diversity of plant life, providing a unique ecological system in marked contrast to the surrounding vegetation of the forest.

In many areas in the past these meadows, which are also attractive to cattle, have been overgrazed and trampled, decreasing their value to wildlife. The four-strand barbed wire enclosures built with CCC labor restrict the cattle while still permitting deer and other wildlife to pass freely in and out.

Cattle which are permitted to graze on the National Forest will not be adversely affected by these small enclosures since any water sources within the meadows have been piped to the outside for them.

This summer, a CCC crew has completed fencing around six meadows from three-to-five acres in size near Etsel Ridge in the Covelo District of the Mendocino National Forest. Materials for the fences are being supplied by Fish and Game and the Forest Service. Forest Service officials have agreed to maintain the fences after they are completed.







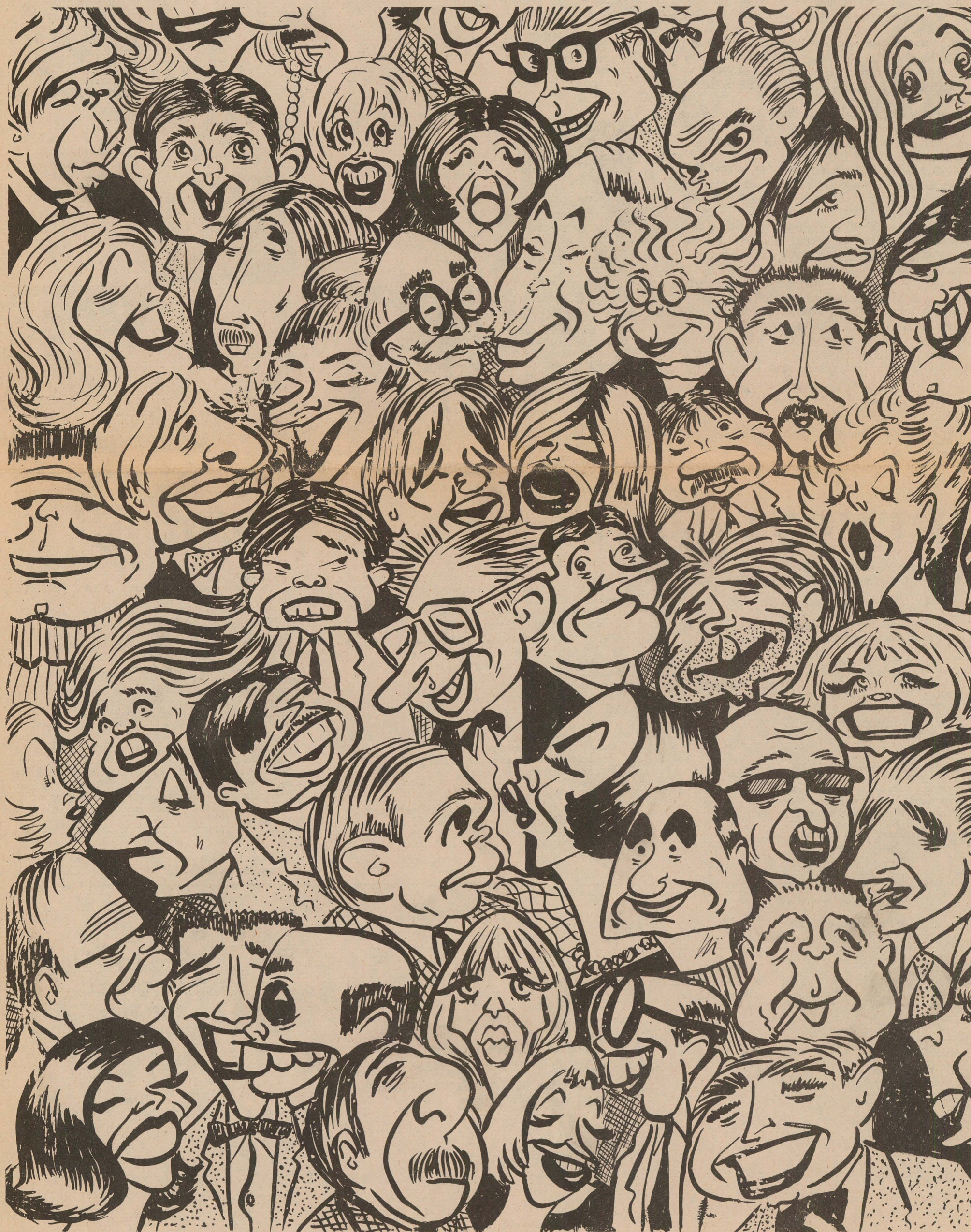
# Star Presidian

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## Special issue: PSF clubs





# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

**SSgt. Robert Broadnax** is heartily welcomed to the Presidio's Defense Intelligence Agency.

The **402nd MP Co.** welcomed back members of the unit who returned from Camp Parks, after pulling post, camp, and station MP duties in support of reservists for twelve weeks. You are to be commended for a job well done!

The **170th MP Bn.** welcomed the arrival of **PV2 Jon Short** from AIT at Ft. McClellan. **Gaylene Willis** received a promotion to E-4 and to AJ as well. Departed from the unit is **Sp4 Ove Hotlevoll**, who is off to Germany.

The **51st Engrs.** have been doing an outstanding job with the sprinklers and ground maintenance on post. The unit sends congrats to **Will Harrison** who made PFC.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn.** sends congrats to **Sp4 Veronica Eligan** and her husband **Richard (Sgt.)** who works in MI. They are proud parents of a 7 lb. 3 oz. boy, **Richard III.**

**HQ Sixth Rgn. CIDC** welcomes its new SJA - **Capt. Jim Hatten**. **William Dortch** of the San Francisco Field Office was promoted to CW4. Also promoted to CW4 was **Richard Slisz** of the HQ. Good going! Farewells were made to **Sp5 Lina Pollares** who ETSed and **Sp4 Bernard Pauly** who left for Germany.

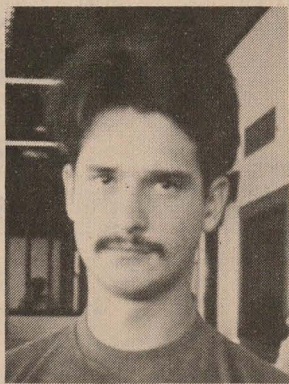
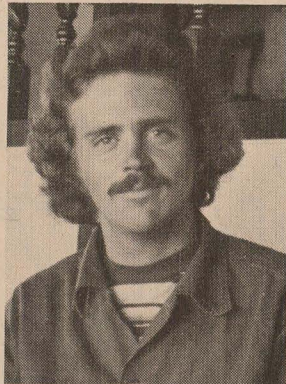
**SFC Ron Renouf** of our PAO sends special thanks to the **16th AG Det. (Postal)** for surpassing its Hometown New Release goal for the year. They passed their goal last month and still have until the end of Spetember. Other units getting close to the 100 percent mark are **HHD, 504th MP Bn.** and the **163rd MP Co.** They are doing a great job getting their troops' names in the papers back home.

Well, that's it for another week. Relax and enjoy yourself.

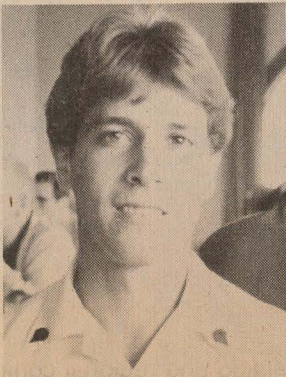
## Ramblin' Sam



**Mr. Jim Koellen, Contract Landscaper** — "I belonged to the Turf Paradise Downs Club. We pooled our money and went to the race track. We hoped to win money by combining our bets."



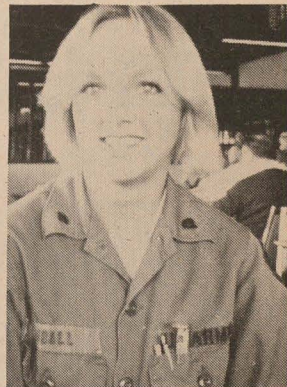
**Sp4 Timothy Adams, Medical Specialist, LAMC** — "I have been a member of the Boys Club and the Prisoner's Union. The Prisoner's Union hopes to better living conditions for those who are in jail."



**Sp4 Richie D'Alessio, Medic, LAMC** — "The Teen Club was something I belonged to. It was in New York. The purpose was to keep teens off the street and given them something to do. We could dance or play sports."

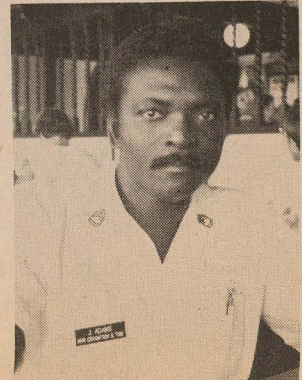
**Have you ever belonged to a club?**

**Sp4 Dawn Kendall, Food Inspector, LAMC** — "I've been in a business club, a band, and a choir. The business club was like Junior Achievement. We bought stock and sold items, and created a small business for profit."



**Sp5 Kenneth Regis, Finance Clerk, Finance** — "I belonged to the Woodland NCO Club. It provided weekly entertainment to the troops and kept up our morale."

**SFC Jerome Adams, NCOIC Nursing and Training, LAMC** — "I am a member of Shriners. The purpose to the club is brotherhood, and help for mankind. It tries to draw everyone together and help each other out."



## Survey: how are we doing?

This survey of Star Presidian readers is being conducted to help us present to you a newspaper that will better serve your needs.

### PART ONE: Who reads this newspaper?

1. Status: ( ) E1-E5; ( ) E6-9; ( ) 01-03; ( ) 04-09; ( ) GS1-8; ( ) GS9 or above; ( ) Dependent; ( ) Retiree.
2. Race/ethnic group: ( ) Black; ( ) White; ( ) Latino; ( ) Asian; ( ) Other.
3. Sex: ( ) Male; ( ) Female.
4. Where did you get this paper?  
( ) Px/Commissary; ( ) Distribution Channels; ( ) Quarters or barracks;  
( ) Other (please specify) \_\_\_\_\_

### PART TWO: How are we doing?

5. For a military newspaper, the Star Presidian is doing a \_\_\_\_\_ job.  
( ) Very good; ( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.
  6. Do you find the Star Presidian to be:  
( ) Easy to read; ( ) About right; ( ) Hard to read?
- The next questions deal with some regular columns in our paper. In your opinion, the following regular features are:
7. ACTION LINE (a complaint/suggestion column for readers):  
( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.
  8. RAMBLIN' SAM (a man-on-the-street opinion survey):  
( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.

9. SNAFU (word puzzle):  
( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.
10. TROOP TALK (column of unit and office news):  
( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.
11. MOVIES (theatre schedule and reviews):  
( ) Good; ( ) Fair; ( ) Poor.

### PART THREE: What would you like to see?

- Sports: ( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
13. Presidio military personality features:  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
  14. Presidio civilian news and personality features:  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
  15. National, DA and DOD News:  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
  16. Offpost events and nightlife:  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
  17. Presidio Playhouse Reviews (live theatre):  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.
  18. Unit News:  
( ) More; ( ) No change; ( ) Less.

### PART FOUR: How well did the reporter get his message across in the following front page stories?

19. "The Pearl of Great Price" (feature about Vietnam):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

20. "Come Up and See My Etchings" (visitation rights for members of the opposite sex in the barracks):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

21. "Cause for Alarm?" (Dangers of Marijuana):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

22. "The First Step is the Hardest" (Psychological help offered by LAMC):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

23. "The Woman Cop Men Respect" (a Presidio Woman MP):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

24. "Where's the Playground, Daddy?" (Single Parents in the Military):  
( ) Well; ( ) Adequately; ( ) Poorly; ( ) Did not read; ( ) Do not remember.

What part of this paper do you like most? Least? What topics would you like covered more?

Feel free to expand on these and other questions below.

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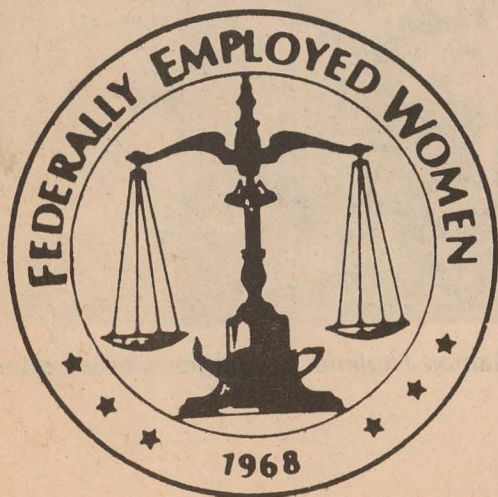


# 'FEW'... striving to end discrimination

by Rebecca Hall

The Star Presidian staff has dedicated this issue to Club activities. The clubs that appear in this issue are just a few of the many that exist on the Presidio. We encourage submissions by other clubs, and hope to give you satisfactory coverage.

Ten years ago a group of women employed by the federal government became interested in carrying out the intent of a Presidential Executive Order which added "sex" to other forms of discrimination. With this purpose in mind, these women organized Federally Employed Women, Inc.

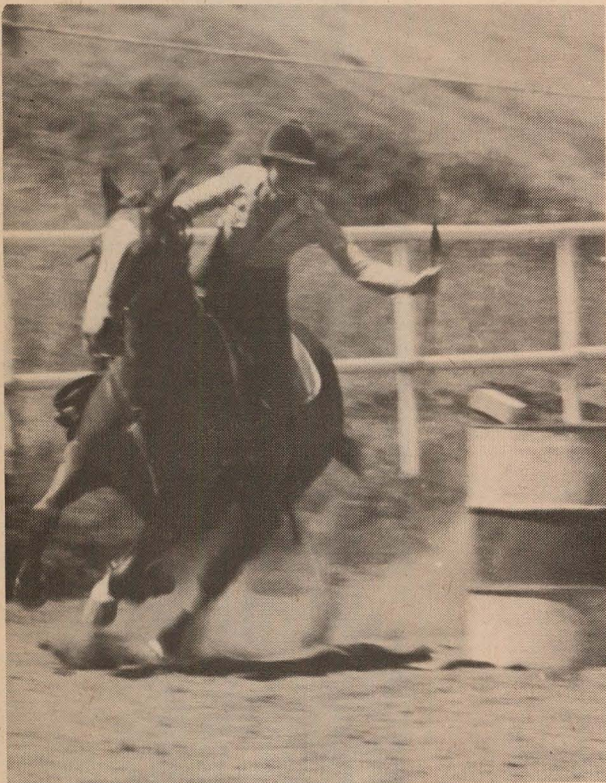


As opposed to the Federal Women's Program (FWP), which was formed **inside** the Federal Equal Employment Opportunity (EEO) Program, FEW was established **outside** the federal government system. However, both organizations support each other and have similar goals and priorities.

## Good horse sense

by L. L. Konermann

The Presidio Riding Club is a non-appropriated fund activity of the Presidio of San Francisco which provides the military community in the San Francisco Bay Area with the opportunity to enjoy equestrian pursuits in a beautiful setting, at reduced cost.



Melanie McCocury of the Riding Club learns to pick up a flag in a race at Fort Barry. (photos provided by the Presidio Riding Club)

The stable, located at Ft. Barry, is one of the few remaining Army-controlled land parcels in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, a beautiful wilderness area that stretches from the north side of the Golden Gate to Point Reyes. The area has a trail system restricted to hikers and horses.

Ending sex discrimination in government employment is only one of FEW's goals. They are striving to increase job opportunities, improve the merit system, assist employees and applicants for employment and also help other organizations work for equal opportunity in government.

In their work against discrimination, FEW provides several services to its members. One such service is the support they give the EEO program. Newsletters are also published to give members the latest information on available training to improve job potential as well as other timely topics. Speakers, seminars and discussions are held, promoting the goals of FEW. Recommendations for improving the program are sought, and members work towards implementing these improvements. Any proposed legislation, federal or state, designed to eliminate discrimination is analyzed. FEW also fights negative attitudes from both men and women which could hinder the success of the program.

There are presently 160 chapters in the United States and six chapters overseas. Membership is open to anyone employed by the U.S. government or the District of Columbia, or anyone who supports the aims of FEW.

Dinner meetings are held the last week of each month at the PSF Officers' Club from 5:30 to 8:30 p.m. The actual day of the meeting, however, is alternated to allow greater participation from all members. The next meeting will be in September, with cocktails at 5:30 and dinner at 6 p.m. There will be no meeting, however, in August, to allow full support for the 6th Annual Women's Day Program on the 25th.

Activities at meetings range from listening to guest speakers from various organizations to unstructured panel discussions covering topics such as national training and regional conferences.

For more information about Federally Employed Women, Inc., contact Barbara Desina, Membership Chairman, at 3043/3498.

Although all horses are privately owned, there is no requirement to own a horse to be a member of this club. Generally, if a person exhibits a sustained interest in riding, arrangements can be made with another member to rent or borrow a horse for riding lessons or trail rides.

The club facilities include 45 roomy box stalls, 3 paddocks, lunging ring and both outdoor and indoor riding rings. To keep costs to a minimum, the club purchases feed and stall bedding and sells it to members at cost. Teenagers in the club often feed horses and clean stalls as a means of defraying the costs of

their horses and as a convenience to others in the club. The club has a cooperative maintenance program in which all members are expected to assist one Saturday a month in the various general maintenance and housekeeping functions necessary to the good order and safety of all members. The work is lightened by a potluck lunch contributed by members and their families.

Activities of the club are varied and depend on the desires of the membership. Occasionally there is a large organized trail ride, with possibly a meal at the end, but several times a week club members go on impromptu trail rides in groups of two or more.

Individual and group riding lessons are available from local instructors, with occasional free youth riding clinics for members of the Presidio Youth Riding Club through funds made available from Thrift Shop profits. Semi-annual "fun days" with mounted and dismounted contests are scheduled with prizes or ribbons presented.

For further information, come out to the stables on an afternoon or weekend and talk to the members, or contact Maj. L.L. Konermann at 2322.

# Lend them your ears

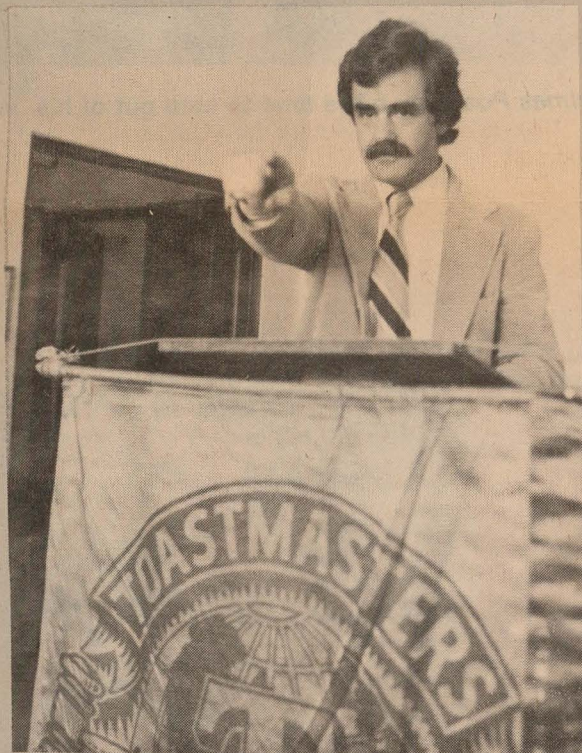
Story and photos by Ted Elisee

"You know, I just spent ten minutes in a conference with ten people, and I don't think they understood what I was putting across to them," said the young executive.

Ever have this happen to you? Or did you ever get the feeling that the proper words are just not coming out of your mouth, and you just can't seem to keep your thoughts together? Want to learn or develop leadership skills and discipline? Then, obviously, you are saying to yourself — "I have a communication problem!"

While a great deal has been written about communication, there is an alternative to intensive, time-consuming book study: the Toastmaster and Toastmistress Clubs. The clubs, three of which are located on the Presidio alone, give members a chance to practice "hands-on" communication and leadership training.

Now what is Toastmasters/Toastmistresses? It is not a club of drinkers who sit around a table and "roast" a person. It is a club of military and civilian people concerned about improving their communication and leadership skills. A particular advantage to the club is that all the members believe in joint efforts for self-development. Each member makes suggestions on how to improve an individual's performance.



Kurt Englehart drives home a point from the podium at a Toastmasters' meeting.

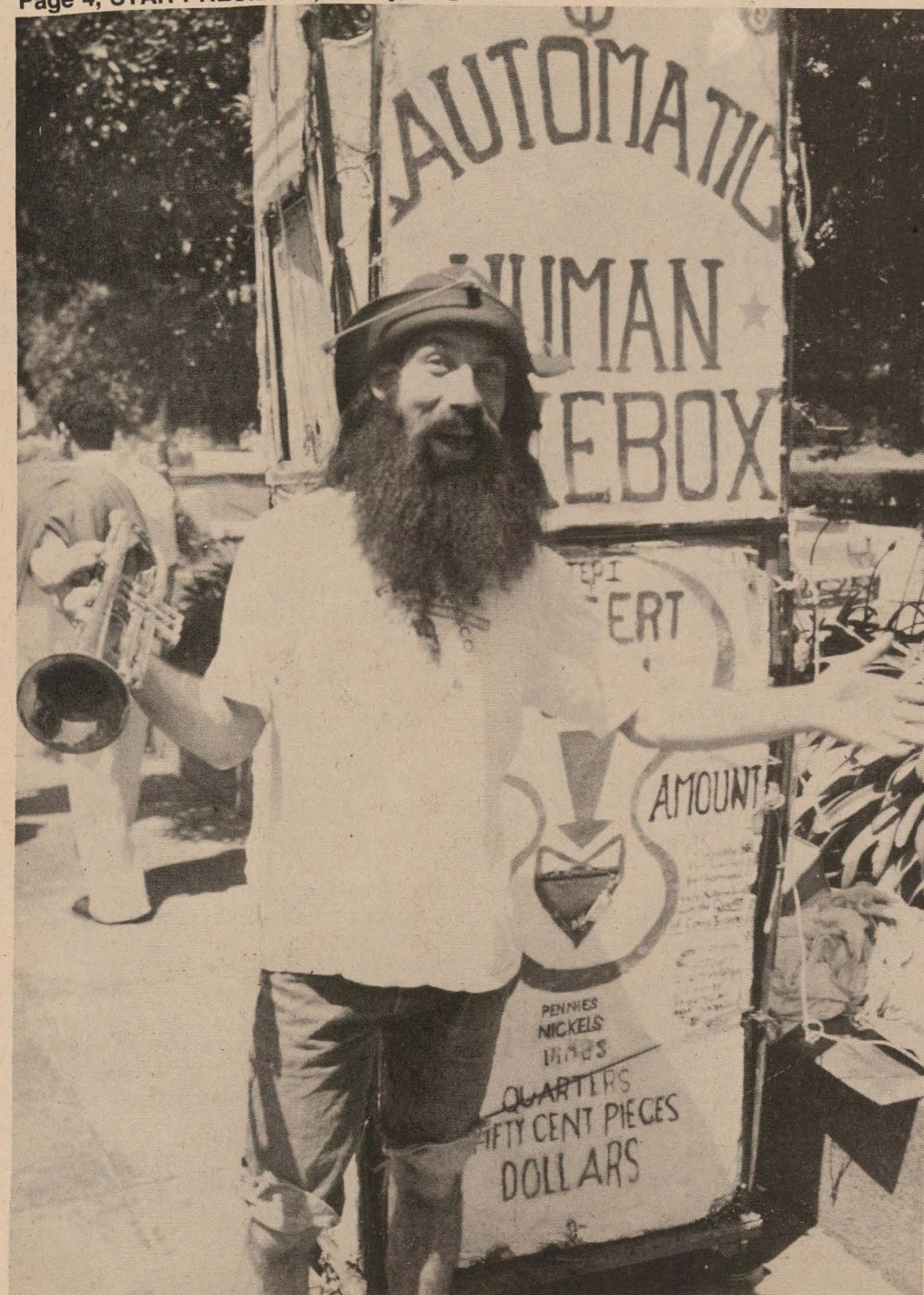
Said Ann Gricich of USACC Agency, "The Toastmistress Club has motivated me to become involved in other things too. I have even gone back to school to study management." Said Toastmistress Mary Goodsell, "I saw a dramatic change in Ann. She was a quiet woman who enjoyed sitting at home, and, suddenly, she has become aware of her surroundings and communicates on an entirely different level. Her transition has really excited me."

The format for a club meeting is a structured one. First, some club members get to speak on an impromptu basis about a surprise topic. Next, a few members deliver a prepared speech. The final portion is a discussion of the main speakers heard during the meeting.

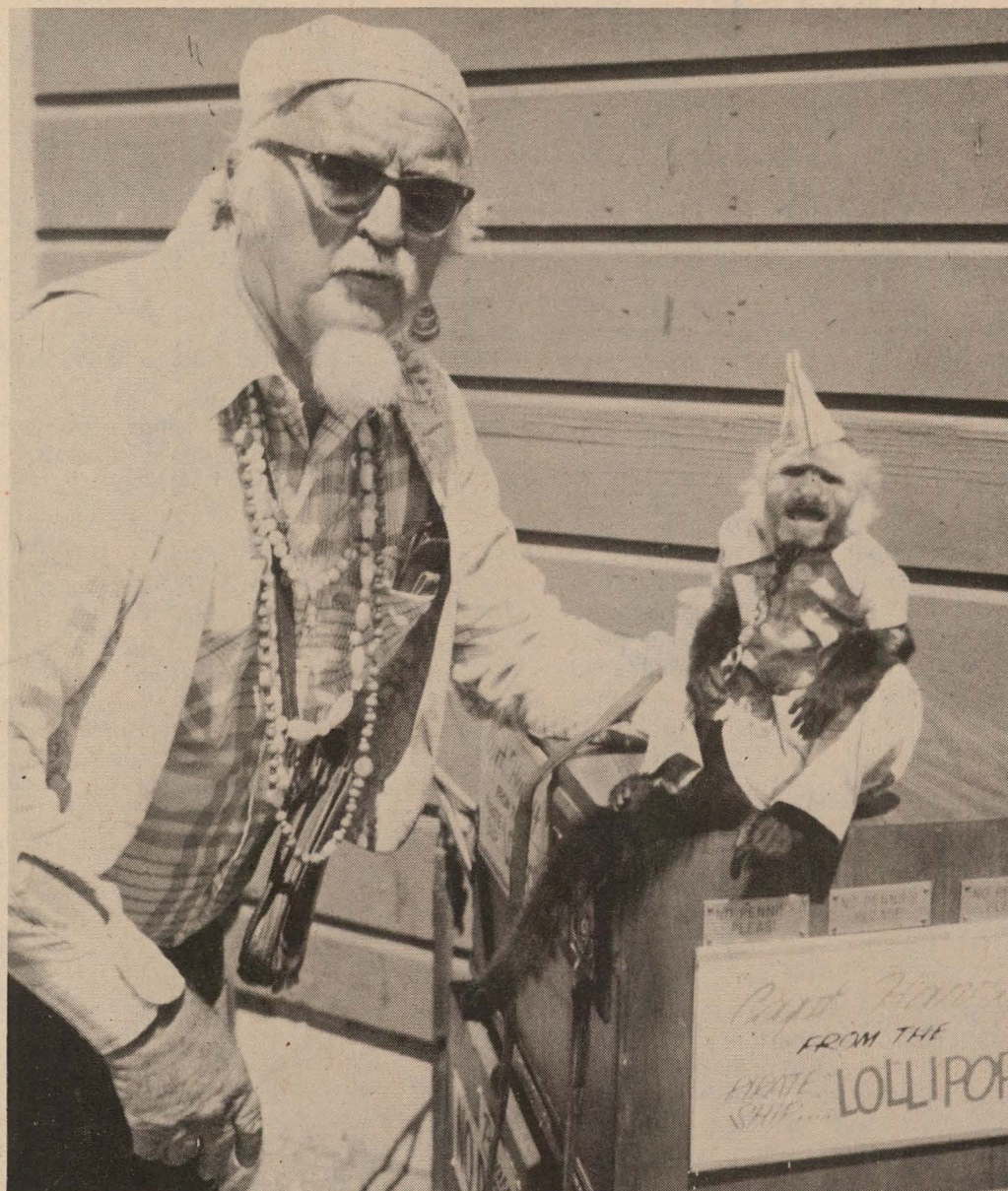
The discussion of the main speakers gives everyone the opportunity to speak during a given meeting. Of course, that's the purpose - mutual development of communication skills. Said Georgia Young, "The club has given me confidence on my feet as well as good friendship."

All three clubs on the Presidio meet twice a month during lunch hour. For further info: call Ann Gricich, 3771; or Georgia Young, 2543; or Kurt Englehart, 3287.





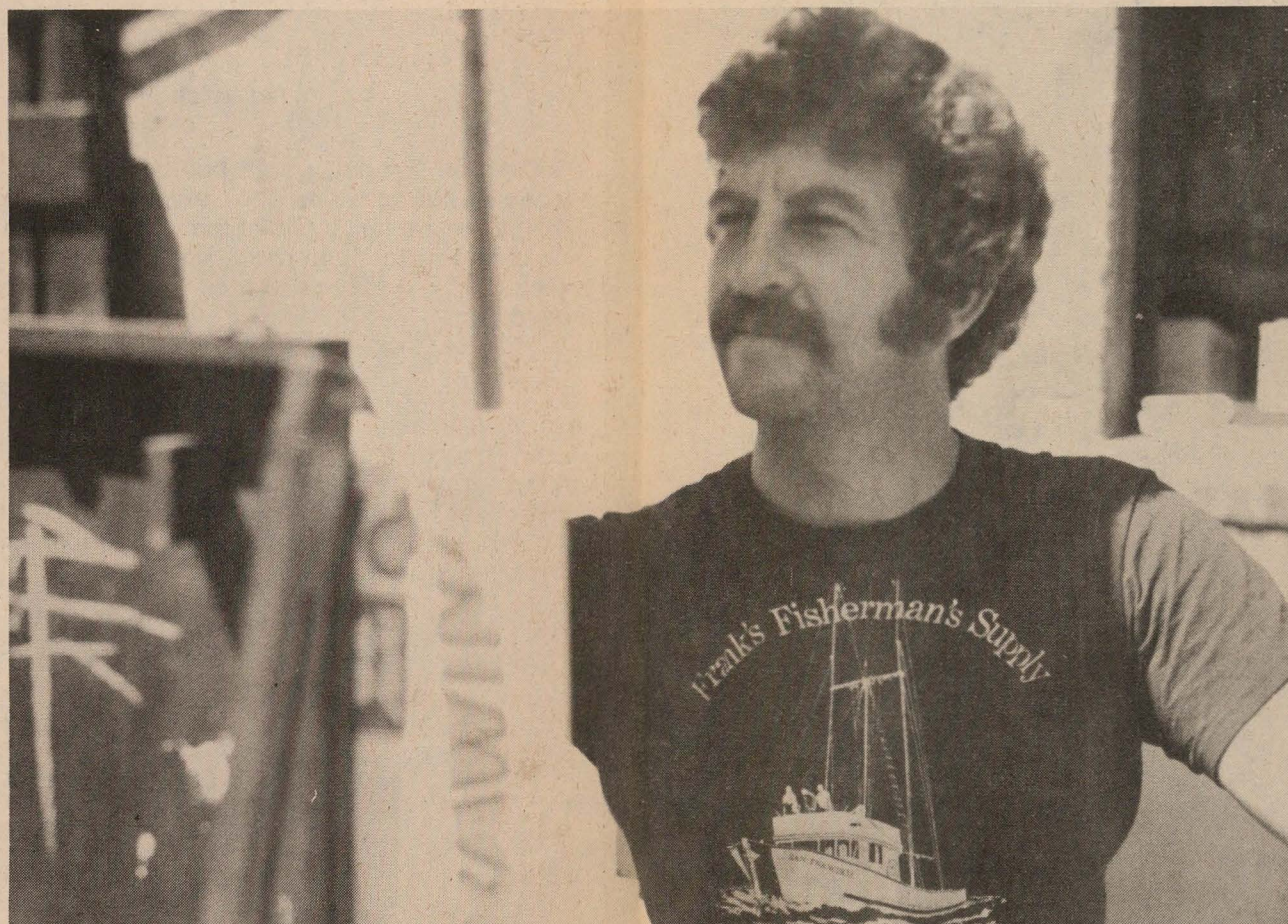
Grimes Posnikov takes time to step out of his Human Juke Box to ham it up.



Captain Harry (Harry Baldwin) provides entertainment for people of all ages.

# 'Gotta have a gimmick'

Story and photos by Ted Elisee



Ramon Faulkner is a serious artist who does quickie sketches as a sideline.

There's an old show business saying that was put to music in the Broadway show Gypsy — "You gotta have a gimmick."

Not far from the Lombard Gate is a colorful group of personalities who make a living from their "gimmicks." These personalities don't use a theater to perform; they use the sidewalks of San Francisco instead. Many of you have seen these figures during one of your jaunts to Ghiradelli Square or down on Fisherman's Wharf.

All of these personalities say they are "artists" and that they enjoy their work. They feel they are expressing themselves and have a legitimate business. As Uncle Ray Solo says, "It's the most unusual and least bureaucratic thing I can do!" "I enjoy doing it for the children," Cpt. Harry adds.

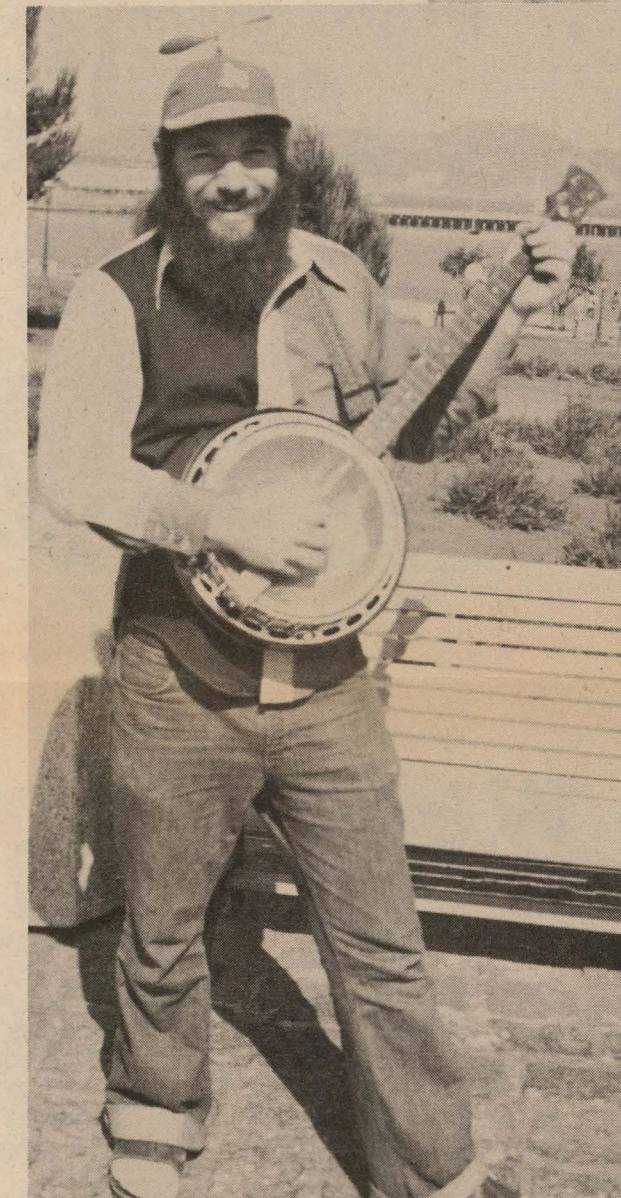
Some people will do anything for a buck, you say? Perhaps, but can you imagine San Francisco without these personalities?



Uncle Ray Solo (Ray Huchim) plays two trumpets simultaneously to impress his spectators.



Ted Gilchrist does impressions of Hollywood personalities hoping to eventually break into show biz.



Stacey Stewart (of Spare Change) grew up in San Francisco and has been playing on the streets for seven years.



Will the real Dr. Spock please stand up? Ian Crawford, admission man, is on left.



# 'Young Life'... a good life

by Connie Foster

The Presidio Chapel Youth are a group of active young people, age 13-18, who are involved in a number of outdoor activities, conservation efforts and Bible Study.

Young Life is an ecumenical organization (Catholic and Protestant) for junior and senior high school students. The Junior High group meets Mondays from 7 to 8:50 p.m., and the Senior High group meets Tuesdays at the same time in the Religious Activities Center, Building 682. There are Campaigner Bible Study meetings throughout the week in different homes. And, beginning September 24, there will be a weekly Sunday evening Teen Rap for Catholic High School students at Ft. Baker.

The first Saturday each month Young Life sponsors a recycling program on post from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Funds received from this program are used for various activities scheduled throughout the year.

This week, August 8 thru 15th, twenty dependents and six counselors are at the Woodleaf Campgrounds, located about 70 miles north of Sacramento for a week of outdoor activities, fun and spiritual growth. Camps are available several times a year for both senior and junior high members. Also weekend retreats and outings are scheduled during the year. The annual January snow retreat is a favorite, as is the Black Bart Raft Race in the spring.

Once a quarter, Youth Rallies are held on post featuring well-known gospel entertainment, food and fun activities.

A Youth Awareness Conference, August 25-27, will be held at the Ft. Mason Teen Club. Anyone 13-18 years of age may sign up to attend. The cost is only ten

dollars for dependents for the entire three-day weekend conference. It will be devoted to problem solving and self-awareness, led by Lester Brown of the Pacific Institute of Seattle, Washington. Anyone

interested in attending this conference is urged to call the Religious Activities Center at ext. 3535, and talk to Connie Foster, (Chapel Youth Coordinator) for further details.

All Presidio youth are urged to come and join the fun at Young Life meetings. Just call ext. 3535 and let us know of your interest. There is a place for everyone in the Chapel Youth Program.



Young people involved in the Presidio's Young Life program enjoy several wholesome activities. (photo provided by the Presidio Chapel Youth)

## No wait policy

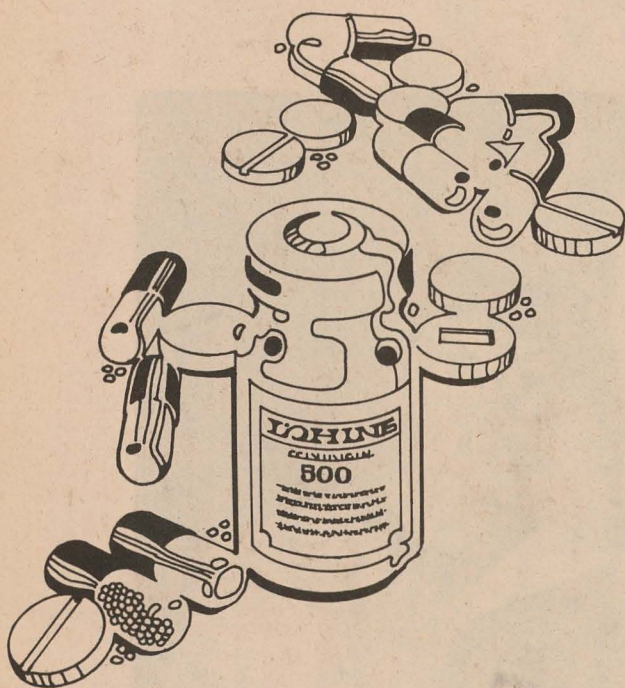
by Frank Noto

Ever wait two hours to get a prescription filled at Letterman? If you're on active duty, you may not always have to face that problem because of a policy put into effect earlier this year. The policy, called "rush service," is designed to get soldiers back to work as soon as possible.

Only those soldiers who are going back to work immediately after their prescription is filled are eligible for the special service, though patients in great pain may also be given priority. Dependents, retirees, and those soldiers not returning directly to work cannot use the service, which was established primarily to prevent wasted manhours off the job. This means that a soldier who has further medical treatment or appoint-

ments scheduled at the hospital on the same day and can return later will not be given the special service.

Maj. Michael Beahm, assistant chief of Pharmacy Services, warns that "If active duty personnel abuse the system, if they use the rush orders when they are not eligible, they will be hurting other patients. Someone else's dependents are going to have to wait in line considerably longer."



When a soldier in uniform requests rush service on a prescription for his personal use, the pharmacy will interrupt their routing procedures to provide the medication quickly. Generally, a single prescription will take about 12 minutes to fill, while two or more orders will take slightly longer. Those who use the service are required to remain near the dispensing window and pick up their medication when paged.

## Friends along the way

by R.E. Leach

The Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives Club is a non-profit activity which provides a variety of social and volunteer work opportunities to the wives of enlisted men stationed at the Presidio.

The EM Wives Club holds a combined business and social meeting every month. In addition, there are special luncheons and short tours held periodically. Social affairs, with husbands invited, are scheduled each year at Christmas, Valentine's Day and other special occasions.

"We like to feel we fill a need on the Presidio," said Jo Leach, the Wives Club President. "Our club provides at least one scholarship each year. We also support two youngsters through the "Save the Children" Foundation. "Additionally, our members work in the Thrift Shop two days a month. The Thrift Shop provides over \$25,000 each year to various youth organizations here," she ad.

To earn the money necessary for these programs, the EM Wives Club holds a number of bake sales and cooperates in a joint effort with the other wives clubs on post.

The EM Wives Club is open to all enlisted ranks. The members are anxious for you to join them in bolstering the military community. Their meetings are open and visitors are welcome at any time. For further information, contact Jo Leach - 561-3550.



With memento in hand, Toni Hodges says farewell to the Presidio at a Wives Club luncheon. (photo provided by Enlisted Wives Club)



# Sports at a glance

**All runners on post** are invited to the next monthly fun run race on August 16 starting at noon. Start/finish will be at the main gym, Bldg #63. Sign-ups will be held on race day, starting at 11:30 a.m. The distance will be 10,000 meters (6.2 miles) on pavement with 80% of the course being fairly flat with one major uphill and downhill at the finish. Enjoy our new scenic course by being therexxxx

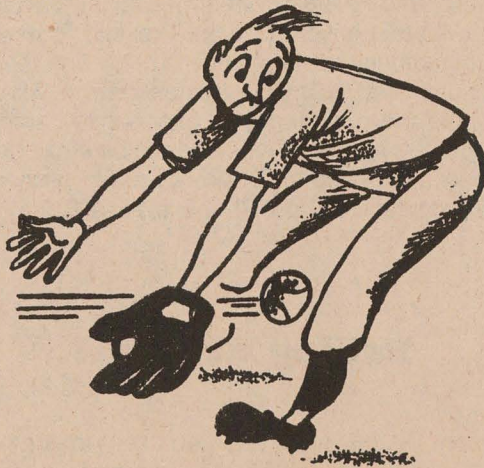
Enjoy our new scenic course by being there. All levels of runners will be running. Finish times and places will be given to all who complete the course. For further information call the Sports Branch Office, Bob Darling, ext. 4120/5032.

**The 1978 Post Squash Tournament** will commence August 29 at the main gym. This will be a single tournament and play will be determined by the number of entries. All units are encouraged to enter their best players. Sign-ups will be taken at the gym and entries close on August 21. Please call ext. 4120/5032 for further information.

**Company level 7-man Flag Football** will get under way on August 28 on the field located next to the Post Library. Last year's champion, LAMC, will be out to defend their crown. Teams are already hard at practice in preparation for the upcoming season. A reminder to those units that are planning on playing — you need to get your entry into the Sports Office no later than the 14th. Coaches, managers and players clinic will be held at 1 p.m., August 16, at the Recreation Center, Bldg #135.

Additionally, anyone interested in officiating Flag Football must get in touch with the Sports Office, ext. 4120, to register, because the first meeting will be held soon.

**Sports Branch, Recreation Services Division** will conduct classes for Senior Lifesaving commencing at 6 p.m., August 28. Classes will be for two hours' duration on Monday and Wednesday, continuing for five weeks. Active duty military, retirees and dependents are encouraged to sign up at the Sports Office, Bldg #63, or call ext. 4120/5032, not later than 12 p.m., August 28. Persons who have passed their 15th birthday or have completed the 9th grade, are sound physically and have completed the following requirements are eligible: performed standing front dive in reasonably good form; swimming 440 yards, demonstrating some ability in using the Australian Crawl, a side stroke utilizing a scissors kick, and a stroke done on the back using an inverted scissors or breast stroke kick; diving from surface to a minimum depth of 6 feet and swimming 15 feet under water; and treading water for one minute with hands beneath the surface for use as auxiliary support.



In the just concluded double elimination Post Softball Championship Tournament, the F.B.I. was victorious over the 402d MP Co. by scores of 15-8 and 9-7 in the finals. Since the 402d MP Co went into the finals undefeated, the F.B.I. had to win both games to take the championship. The winning pitcher for both games was **Ed Gurinsky** while **Albert Smith** was the pitcher of record in a losing cause. Other teams that competed in this championship tournament were LAMC #2, ARR IX, HHD, 504th MP Bn and LAIR #1.

**Racquetball lessons** will be available on Mondays from 5-6 p.m. at the Ft. Scott gym, starting August 14. The class is limited to eight active duty personnel, both beginners and intermediates. Each player will furnish a racquet and racquetballs. For information and sign-ups, visit the Sports Branch office at the main gym by Monday.

Members of the Aquarius Swim Team from the Presidio captured a total of 25 awards during the North Bay Aquatic League (NBAL) Summer Championships held in Ukiah, Calif., August 5 and 6.

Bringing home individual awards—Top 12 places—from the Presidio Team were: **Bianca Trenker** with a 4th in butterfly, 2nd in breaststroke, 9th in 50-yard freestyle, 6th in 25-yard freestyle and 4th in backstroke, in the competition for girls, eight-years-old and under.

In the nine and ten year old girls group, **Christa Johnson** copped a 9th in butterfly and 12th in backstroke while **Robin Wicks** nailed down an 11th place finish in the breaststroke event.

**Sara Adams** picked up an impressive line of ribbons—1st in butterfly, 4th in breaststroke, 1st in 50-yard freestyle, 1st in 100-yard freestyle, 1st in backstroke, and 3rd in 200-yard individual medley, swimming her way to the high point trophy in the Girls 13-14 age division, with **Holly Johnson** adding a 10th in backstroke in that division.

In the Girls, 15-18 Class, **Debby Havis** picked up a 9th in the backstroke event.

In boys competition, **Mike Trenker** captured a 3rd in breaststroke, 10th in freestyle and 10th in backstroke while **Brian Meegan** notched a 6th place finish in both the 50-yard and 100-yard freestyle events in the 13 and 14 age competition.

Three members of the Aquarius Swim Team gained "A" status for the first time during the weekend meet. They were **Bianca Trenker** in the 25-yard breaststroke and 25-yard butterfly; **Polly Slisz** in the 50-yard freestyle; and **Robin Wicks** in the 50-yard breaststroke.

The swimmers and their families camped at Lake Mendocino near Ukiah over the weekend.

## Assert yourself

Everyone seems to agree with the basic premise: If you want to succeed in your professional and personal lives, effective interpersonal communication is essential. Yet many people do not know how to practice productive communication.

In recent years a new technique has emerged as one solution to the stresses of human interaction. It's called **assertiveness**, and it provides practical skills that will help anyone to function more successfully in society, whether business or social.

To introduce the "assertive approach" to the Presidio community, the Federal Women's Program Committee is sponsoring a Women's Day workshop August 25 featuring a well-known Bay Area assertiveness educator.

Helen Hendricks, president of Change Agents, a counseling firm which helps individuals to plan professional and personal change, will conduct two seminars on assertiveness at the Recreation Center. She will be assisted by Linda Hoche of the Woodside Institute of Living.

Full details on the Women's Day program will be published in next week's **Star Presidian**.

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## We need blood

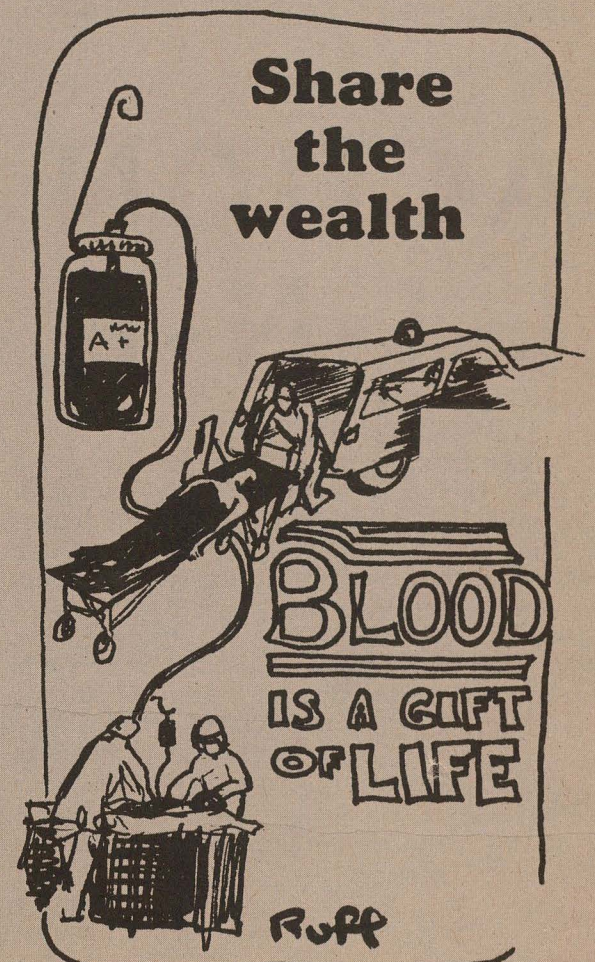
by Frank Noto

The last two blood drives on the Presidio have been failures, according to local blood bank officials. At the Presidio-wide drive last month, only 87 donors contributed, considerably fewer than the 125 which is average. The outcome of LAMC's drive in May was even worse: only 98 persons gave blood, down from the usual 200-plus.

As a result, the LAMC blood account continues to show a significant deficit. "There are critical blood needs at times when supply does not meet demand," says Capt. James Young, chief of LAMC's blood bank. "We need as much blood as possible to handle emergencies. It's not that anyone is likely to die — blood for emergency needs can always be had — but it's conceivable that vital surgery might be postponed if our supply is low," he adds.

LAMC draws on San Francisco's Irwin Memorial Blood Bank for blood supplies, but this needs to be replaced by our drives. Blood supplied by Fort Ord helps lessen the current deficit in LAMC's account somewhat, but the Presidio itself is beginning to be a drain on the rest of the Bay Area community.

Another blood drive will be held on post next week at Schwartz Theatre on the first floor of LAMC. It will take place from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Thursday, and from 7:30 a.m. to noon on Friday. The drive presents the Presidio with one more chance to "take care of its own."





New uniform addition

Male soldiers can expect a new addition to their uniform by 1980, according to a Uniform Board official. The gray-green service shirt will be available in the exchange system in 1979 and in the supply system by 1980. Approved for wear in both long and short sleeve versions, the service shirts will replace the tan shirts currently worn with the green uniform and, when worn with green trousers, the tan/khaki uniforms. The last date for the wear of the tan shirts and uniforms will be 1985.

Insignia worn on the new shirt will be limited to the nametag, shoulder marks for officers, and pin-on chevrons for enlisted members. Chaplains will wear their branch insignia above the left pocket.

The same fabric will be used for the women's service shirts. The designs, however, are still under consideration. (ARNEWS)

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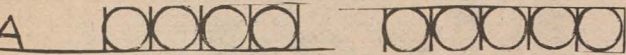
by Sue Kemp

Unscramble these five words, one letter to each square, one word to each line, to form five ordinary words.

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Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.

A Curve That Can Set Things Straight



ANSWERS — indict, permit, amuse, excite, pious, CRITICISM

NOTE: The creator-author reserves all rights to make errors in the creation of these puzzles.

ACTION L-I-N-E

Q. I have been trying for two years to have a sanitation dumpster removed from my backyard. To empty the dumpster the sanitation department must proceed directly through my yard. Due to this, my efforts to reseed the lawn have failed. The dumpster is also a safety hazard because it's damaged on the bottom and leans at a dangerous angle, and the neighborhood children use this area (near the dumpster) as a playground. Any help would be greatly appreciated. Thank you.

Mrs. Christa Mendoza

A. The dumpster behind your quarters was removed after your complaint. A project has also been initiated to return the soil back to its original shape and to seed it with grass. Thank you.

Edward Crane  
Chief, Utilities Division

News Break

Outdoor Rec news

Outdoor Recreation is sponsoring a basic SCUBA Class beginning on Tuesday September 5 with a swim screen. The swim test will be held at 6 p.m. in the pool in building 69. The class will continue for ten weeks, with two weekends on the seashore. Cost is \$60.00 and there is a minimum of ten students and a maximum of fifteen. Contact your Outdoor Recreation Office in Bldg. 92 for further details.

Your Outdoor Recreation program has camping equipment, rods and reels, backpacks and sleeping bags on a first come — first serve basis. Reservations are taken on ski boats, fishing boats, camp trailers and the Tahoe Condominium. Active duty personnel assigned to PSF can make reservations 30 days in advance. Sponsors only, please. Stop in at Bldg 92 for more information.

Protestant Retreat

A Family and Singles Retreat at Cazadero Retreat Center will be sponsored by the Presidio Protestant chapel community on September 15-17. The retreat, which is designed to provide spiritual growth, will give participants the opportunity to experience camping, recreation and nature. There also will be small group conferences, worship and fellowship. For further information contact the Post Chapel at ext. 4239/4719.

Failing PT tests

A recent DA message has been sent to commanders reminding them of the requirement to take corrective action in the case of soldiers who fail physical fitness tests.

Soldiers who fail to pass a physical training (PT) test must undergo special conditioning. An official said an upcoming change to AR 600-9 will require soldiers in these programs to be retested within 60 days after they first fail tests. Trainees who do not meet minimum PT standards will receive remedial training and, if they still flunk tests, will be recycled in training units or considered for administrative action. Waivers may only be given by the Training and Doctrine Command, the official said.

Other soldiers who fail to pass PT tests more than once may be separated "whenever a soldiers' repeated failure is indicative of apathy, medical complications or other causes," officials say. (ARNEWS)

State Fair

On Aug. 27, the Recreation Center will transport 38 lucky people to the State Fair in Sacramento, Calif. The tour will depart the Recreation center at 9 a.m. on a chartered (Air Conditioned) bus. A returnable deposit of one dollar is required to hold your seat on the bus. Register NOW. For additional information, please call ext. 2000 or 5420 AFTER 2 p.m. daily.

English classes

The Army Education Center now offers an extensive English as a Second Language Program. This program is designed to increase the speaking and understanding power of soldiers and dependents whose native tongue is other than English. For further information contact Roz Ruhl — ext. 4900.

ROTC for enlisted

Enlisted soldiers are now eligible for two-year Army ROTC scholarships. These can amount to thousands of dollars in benefits, including full paid tuition, books and educational fees, and a living allowance of up to \$1,000 a year for each year the scholarship is in effect.

Active duty applicants must have served at least one year, be under 25 years of age on June 30 of the year eligible for commissioning, and have credit for two years of college. The scholarships are good at any college or university that has an ROTC program. Applications must be submitted between January and April, and may be obtained by writing: Army ROTC Scholarships, Ft. Monroe, VA 23651. Details on the program are also discussed in AR 145-1.

Circus in town

Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus discount tickets are on sale now at your ITT Office in Bldg. 135. These performances are in San Francisco at the COW PALACE. We have tickets for Wednesday, August 23 through Saturday, August 26. These are \$7.00 reserve seats that can be yours for only \$5.50. For additional information call 5480/5420 after 7 p.m.

Movies

PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Aug. 11, I Wanna Hold Your Hand (PG), 7 p.m.  
Saturday, Aug. 12, Bugsy Malone (G), 2 p.m.  
Saturday, Aug. 12, Silver Streak (PG), 7 p.m.  
Sunday, Aug. 13, The Medusa Touch (PG), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Aug. 14, The Medusa Touch (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Aug. 15, Saturday Night Fever (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Aug. 16, Saturday Night Fever (R), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Aug. 17, Thank God It's Friday (PG), 7 p.m.

SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Aug. 11, Taxi Driver (R), 7 p.m.  
Monday, Aug. 14, Grease (PG), 7 p.m.  
Tuesday, Aug. 15, Truck Stop Women (R), 7 p.m.  
Wednesday, Aug. 16, Outlaw Blues (PG), 7 p.m.  
Thursday, Aug. 17, I Wanna Hold Your Hand (PG), 7 p.m.

I WANNA HOLD YOUR HAND (PG) Beatlemania is the driving force behind a group of determined teenagers who go to great lengths to see the British quartet on their first visit to the U.S. They will do anything to get to their idols. Some material may not be suitable for children.

SATURDAY NIGHT FEVER (R) This intense and alive film is a story about Tony Manero (John Travolta), who works in a paint store by day, but becomes a disco king every Saturday night. The raw power music is generated by the Bee Gees.

GREASE (PG) This is the story of a high school romance between popular gang leader Travolta and Olivia Newton-John. It's school dances, pajama parties, drag-strip racing, and making out at drive-ins, all set to music. Some material may not be suitable for children.

THANK GOD IT'S FRIDAY (PG) From the opening scene, this film pulsates to a disco beat. It is full of humor and youthful energy which echoes of Saturday Night Fever and American Graffiti. A nonstop disco score by top artists is a real bonus. Some material may not be suitable for children.

THE MEDUSA TOUCH (PG) Richard Burton is a man who cannot die because of the evil power within him. Lee Remick is the psychiatrist who tries hard, but cannot cope with the evil forces inside her patient. The bizarre events build to a powerful climax which will stun most audiences. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.

SILVER STREAK (PG) This comedy adventure stars Gene Wilder, on the lam from crooked art thieves, aboard a transcontinental train. He is propelled into a series of outlandish incidents involving mystery, murder and romance. The murders and shootings may be a bit too graphic and the run-away train crash too severe for some.





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## Women's Day Program IT'S OUR FUTURE — LET'S PLAN IT

### RECREATION CENTER (Building 135)

8:20 - 10:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP A**  
**Creative Living** (Prince Room)  
Major Jean Kuttner

8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP C**  
**Effectiveness Training**  
(Room 200 - Upstairs)  
Robert Gilbert

8:20 - 9:50 a.m. **WORKSHOP D**  
**An Introduction to**  
**Assertiveness Training**  
(East Wing-Game Room)  
Helen Hendricks and  
Linda Hoche

8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP E**  
**Star Power** (West Wing-Dining  
Rm)  
Major Mario Macaluso  
Major Jeffrey Boynton  
CPT Lew Levy

8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP G**  
**Are You Still Sitting There?**  
(Music Room - Basement)  
Norman Ishimoto

10:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP B**  
**Smoke Watchers** (Prince Room)  
Robert V. Wharton

11:20 - 12 noon **Lunch and Assemble at**  
PSF Theater (Bldg 99)  
Coffee/Sandwiches and  
Soft Drinks Available  
at Recreation Center (Bldg 135)

### POST THEATER (Building 99)

12:00 - 1:00 p.m. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER — Judge**  
**Ollie Marie-Victoire**  
**Presentation of Certificates-**  
**of-Achievement (Woman-of-**  
**the-Year and**  
**Man-of-the-Year Honors)**

### RETURN TO RECREATION CENTER

1:00 - 2:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP B**  
**Smoke Watchers** (Prince Room)

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP C**  
**Effectiveness Training**  
(Room 200 - Upstairs)

1:00 - 2:30 p.m. **WORKSHOP D**  
**An Introduction to**  
**Assertiveness Training**  
(East Wing - Game Room)

1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP F**  
**Women in Management - "Why**  
**Not You?"**  
Toni James (West Wing - Dining  
Room)

1:00 - 3:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP H**  
**A Fresh Look at Yoga**  
(Music Room - Basement)  
Rich Miller, M.A., Director  
Marin School of Yoga

2:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP A**  
**Creative Living** (Prince Room)

### FILM THEATER (Recreation Center)

8:30 a.m. What You Are Is Where You Were  
When

10:15 a.m. Partners-Partners

10:50 a.m. BIAS - A 4 Letter Word

1:10 p.m. What You Are Is Where You Were  
When

3:00 p.m. The American Parade: We The  
Women

### EXHIBITS

Post Library  
Alcohol and Drug Abuse Prevention  
Pacifica Business and Professional Women's Club  
Jobs for Older Women  
Federally Employed Women  
Social Work Service, LAMC  
Smoke Watcher's Center, Inc.  
US Army Communications Command Telephone  
Exhibit

## EQUAL RIGHTS



Being led away by policemen is one of the early suffragettes for women's rights.

## It's our future; Let's plan it

by Linda Massey

The Presidio Federal Women's Program (FWP) Committee will hold its Sixth Annual Women's Day at the Recreation Center next Friday (August 25). This event is dedicated to the accomplishments and goals of women in the Federal service, and especially to the women at the Presidio of San Francisco.

The day-long program will complement the nationwide observance of Women's Equality Day (August 26), which commemorates the achievements of the women's movement during the past 58 years.

In keeping with the movement's emphasis upon individual fulfillment, the committee has assembled activities geared to the theme, "It's our future; let's plan it."

Judge Ollie Marie-Victoire, newly-elected to the San Francisco Superior Court, will highlight the day's activities with a keynote speech in the Post Theater at noon. A 1956 graduate of Hastings College of the Law in San Francisco, Judge Marie-Victoire began her legal career as a secretary for a well-known patent attorney.

According to Wanda Greer, the Presidio Federal Women's Program coordinator, "The workshops, exhibits and films will provide attendees the practical tools to effect a more rewarding and satisfying future for themselves. No matter how each person envisions that future for herself — or himself — she should find at least one activity which will help her to identify professional and personal goals which are right for her, or which will help her to implement the goals that she already has."

Encouraged by her boss to pursue advanced legal training, she brings to her present judicial duties a wide background of legal experience. First as a research attorney for the California Supreme Court, then in private practice, and finally as a jurist on the Municipal Court she has been an advocate of women's rights. In a landmark decision in October and November, 1975, Judge Marie-Victoire gained international attention, when she dismissed over 100 prostitution cases resulting from the discriminatory enforcement practices of the police department.

Following her presentation, the post commander will present certificates-of-achievement to the Woman-of-the Year and the Man-of-the-Year. This honor, to be presented for the first time on Women's Day, was established by the FWP Committee to recognize individuals within the Presidio workforce who have made outstanding contributions to the career goals of women in Federal service.

Workshops and films will begin at the Recreation Center at 8:20 a.m. and will run until 4 p.m. Exhibits prepared by local professional and women's organizations will be on display throughout the day. (See complete agenda elsewhere on this page.)

Civilians assigned to Presidio and Sixth Army headquarters will be granted administrative leave, upon approval of their supervisors, to attend this official function. In addition, those who attend four hours or more will be awarded Certificates-of-Training by the Civilian Personnel Office.

Refreshments will be available for purchase at the Recreation Center through the noon hour.

For more information, contact Mrs. Greer at extension 2022.



# Crime Scene

The Office of the Provost Marshal requests Presidio residents provide them with serial numbers of valuable items and keep a record of this information in a safe place.

It is also recommended that the owner's license number be engraved on the item. These important steps will increase the chances of recovering the stolen property.

Thieves are reluctant to steal items that are marked, because they command a lesser price from the Fence (once who buys the stolen property from the thief).

The Office of the Provost Marshal has been experiencing a great deal of success with the San Francisco Police Dept., Pawn Detail, when a serial number has been provided on a stolen item.

By marking and recording serial numbered items, you will assist the Military Police in recovering your valuables. Thanks!

# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk!!

The staff has been slowly but surely receiving some response from our readers on the readership survey. Have you filled yours out? The only way we can know just what you want covered is for you to let us know. Speaking of letting us know what's going on - the only way this column is possible, is if we are given input by the unit. If the unit does not let us know what is going on then obviously your particular unit will not be covered. There have been some recent complaints about how only the Engineers and the Military Police are covered in Troop Talk. That may be true; but these units take the time to provide the info necessary to get printed. We'll be more than glad to cover your unit. Just call us and let us know what's happening!

The 51st Engrs. reported the award of the Good Conduct Medal to **Sp4 Franklin Raphael**.

Hq Sixth Region CIDC reported that **Sp4 Bernard Pauly** has just arrived from Germany, not departed for it. Sorry Folks! The Region was busy with The DA IG Inspectors when I called. Hope you pass with flying colors.

D Co, 864th Engrs. reports the welcomed arrivals of **Sp4 William Terry** from Germany, **PVT Don Stevens** from Ft. Leonard Wood, and also **Faavela Faavela**, a **PVT** who hails from Somoa. Farewells were made to **Sp4 Terry Miller** who is off to Germany. A well deserved Certificate of Achievement was awarded to **Sp4 Kenneth Espasito**. Ken got the award for having a gig-free Mail Room during a recent FORSCOM inspection. Congrats to **Guy Griffin** who was just promoted to 1st Lt.

From my home turf of USAG comes the report that the unit is proud of **1st Lt. Benjamin Augustin**, **SSgt. Gary Chuck**, and **SFC Donald Kinne**. All three individuals were honored with the Army Commendation Medal for their support to the PSF Fourth of July Open House. New arrivals to the unit are **Sp4 Harold Simpson**, **Sp4 Mario Delgaidillo**, and **PVT2 Julio Alvarez**.

The staff is still looking for submissions of stories and story ideas. **Sgt. Terry Waggoner** of **Vehicle Registration** recently called with some story ideas. Thanks for the call, **Terry**. Looking forward to your input.

Take care all and talk to you next week.

# Ramblin' Sam



Rickey Popplewell

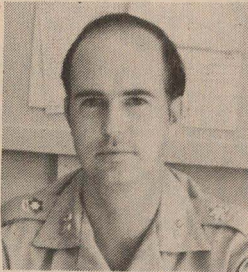


**Sp4 Anita Samson, Clerk, HQ Cmdt.** — "Yes, society is gradually accepting the changing role of women in the world. Since this is so, I feel that the proper time to pass the amendment is now, and so the extension should be granted."



**Sally Garcia, Secretary, DIS** — "Yes, because if the time is granted, women will finally have been granted their rightful place in society."

**Capt. Edwin Millson, Signal Branch, Advisor, Readiness Grp.** — "No, I believe we have a constitutional legal process that has worked for previous amendments. If the amendment can't pass on its own merit within the time that has been given, then perhaps the time is not right for this piece of legislation."



**Mrs. Flora Maxey, Auditor, Comptroller** — "Yes, because I believe women need the time to have the amendment pass. Many people are just now becoming familiar with the contents of the amendment. It is another step towards equal rights."

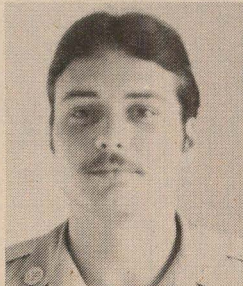


**Mr. David Sheldon, Sr. Asst. to Special Agent in Charge, DIS** — "No. What the extension would do is tamper with the foundation of our form of government. The original guidelines for our nation were written for a purpose and shouldn't be changed. I don't believe in bending a rule to accommodate certain circumstances."

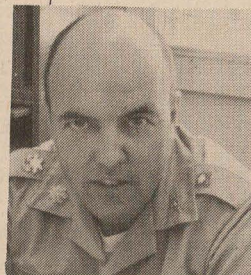


**MSgt. Ada Mercado, Asst. Inspector, IG** — "Everyone has had enough time to decide whether the amendment is good or not. Certainly the state legislators have had enough time to ratify it and so I believe that the extension should not be granted."

**Cpl. James Snow, AWOL Apprehension, 163rd MP Co.** — "I believe some additional time should be granted; but the time should be limited. This issue should not drag on and on."



**LTC John Williamson, Inspector, IG** — "No, I don't think it should be granted. I don't think ground rules should be changed, just to satisfy a particular group."

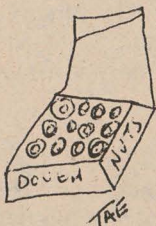


# SNAFU

by Sue Kemp

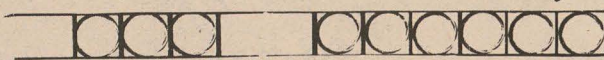
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At Today's Prices, Things Are Cheaper By

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the cartoon.



LAST WEEK'S ANSWERS

MUSKET, NEEDY, ITALIC, MEDAL, IMPEDE.  
ANSWER: NICE SMILE

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# You are seeing double

by Ron Renouf

Lisa and Teresa C. Hayes are getting used to having people stare at them on the job.

It's a rather startling sight to see a young lady at 5'2" operating a power roller, bulldozer, back hoe or 18-wheeler, but both of them at once? To make matters worse, the observer becomes convinced that he's seeing double. Lisa and Teresa are identical twin sisters, both assigned to the 51st Engineer Detachment, both engineer equipment operators here.

The girls completed one year of technical schooling at the Art Institute of Atlanta, Ga. before running out of school funds and deciding to join the Army. "We felt that this would be an ideal way to continue our education," says Teresa or was it Lisa?

Deciding on the Army wasn't really a difficult decision to make. The girls' father, James Hayes, is a retired Master Sergeant and the twins have a number of fond memories of their lives as "Army brats," particularly in Germany... "when the snow was up to our noses."

The girls talked to an Army Recruiter while still in Atlanta and signed up for the delayed entry program. "We wanted to get into the medical field," says Teresa, "but there just weren't any openings without waiting for a long time."

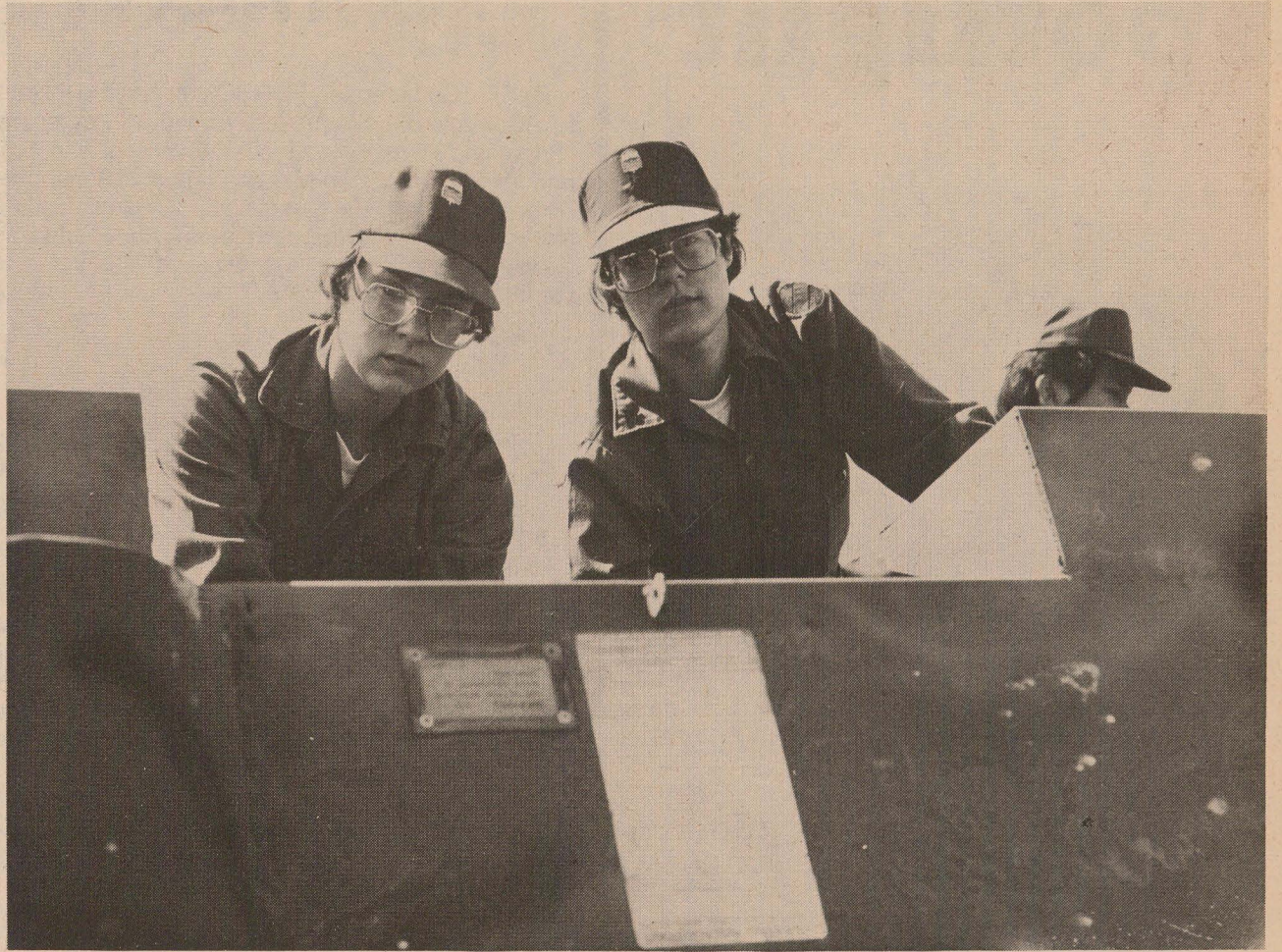
Lisa recalls that, "The recruiter was going through a pamphlet on the various jobs and career fields available. We told her that we didn't want a desk job — we wanted to work outside. All of a sudden she started to laugh and said 'how about this'. She was looking at the section pertaining to engineer skills. Both of us gave her a surprise by saying that it looked good."

"We wanted something different and this is it," says Teresa. "I really like those bulldozers, but I had to get two telephone books to sit on to reach the controls. You really need legs nine feet long to operate those things."

The girls entered the Army in Richmond, Va. and left for Fort McClellan, Ala. for basic training. "Since our names were right together on the duty rosters, we pulled CQ (Charge of Quarters) together, guard duty together, and were assigned to the same tent together during bivouac," recalled Lisa.

Teresa recalled the confusion they caused during those first few weeks in the Army. "We would be standing in formation and the Drill Sergeant would call for 'Private Hayes.' Immediately we would answer, 'which one?' She (the Drill Sergeant) thought we were trying to be smart with her so we'd get stuck doing push-ups."

Thinking back on the early days of guard duty



The Hayes twins, Teresa (left) and Lisa, check the power plant of their power roller over prior to departing for a job. (US Army Photo by Bill Malkiel)

brought laughs from both girls. "We were on guard around the men's barracks. One of us would pass a point and just seconds later the other one. Those guys really thought that they were seeing double," said Teresa.

Near the end of basic, Teresa suffered a knee injury and was unable to graduate with her sister. Lisa went on to Fort Leonard Wood and engineer training while Teresa spent a month recuperating and completing training at Fort McClellan.

When Teresa arrived at Fort Leonard Wood, Lisa was already assigned as permanent party there. "I started Engineer Training and everyone wanted to know why I was going through again. They still remembered Lisa," Teresa commented.

When Teresa completed her training at Fort Leonard Wood, she was assigned to the 51st Engineer Detachment at the Presidio. After many weeks of fighting Army red tape and assignment policy, Lisa was able to receive a transfer to the 51st to join her sister.

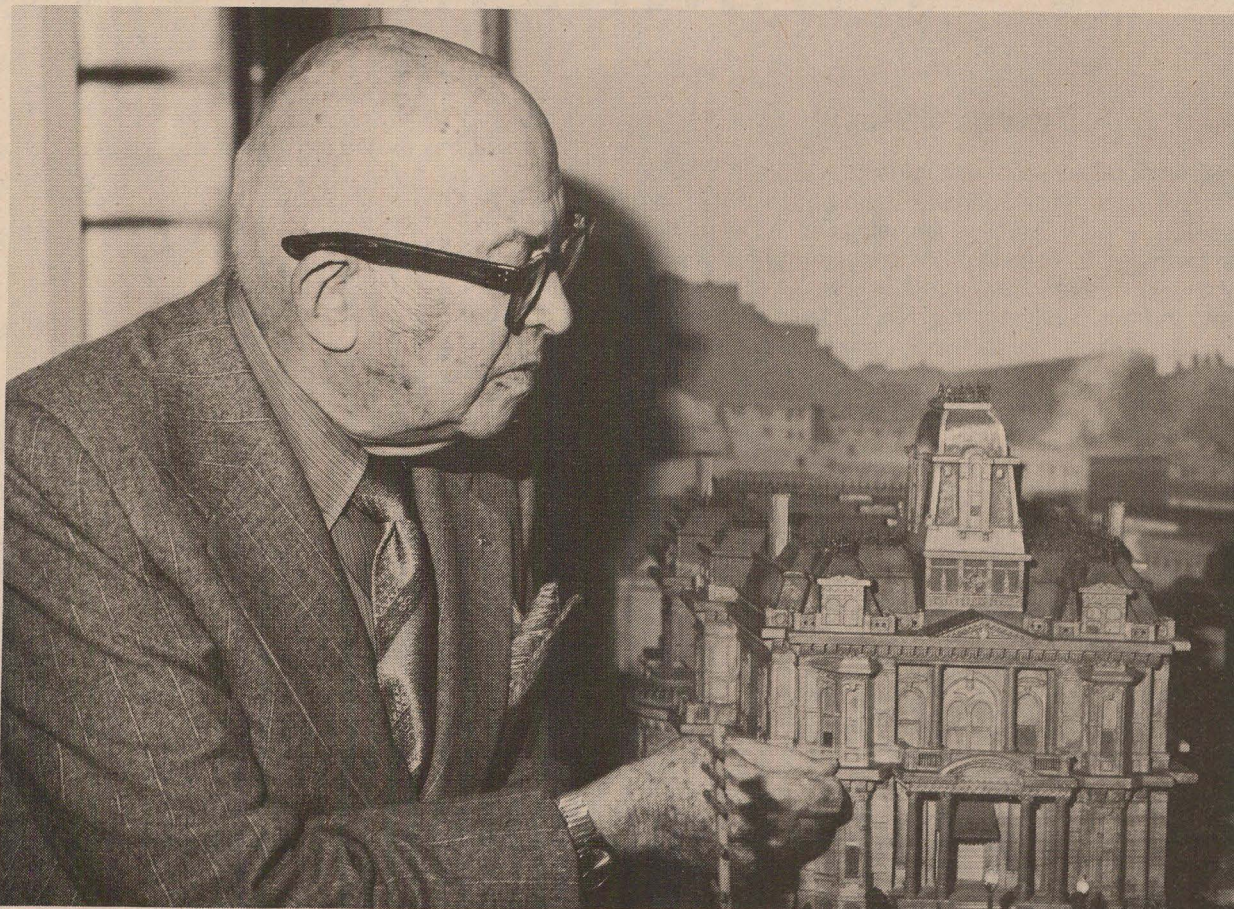
Both girls are now enrolled in the College of Alameda starting in the fall as they continue their educational program. Both hope to earn their degrees in education and work with handicapped children.

"When we do get out of the Army, we want to move closer to home," says Teresa. "After all, it is a long way to Norfolk, Va.," Lisa emphatically agreed.

But in the meantime, if you happen to look up and see two power rollers coming down the street with what appears to be the same person driving them, relax. Your eyes are not playing tricks on you.

It's just the Hayes twins, doing their thing.

## New museum display



Jay Green puts finishing touches on the San Francisco Earthquake Diorama recently put on display at the Museum here. The miniature scene is an exact reconstruction of the city's Nob Hill streets and mansions on the day of the

1906 earthquake and fire. It was built for San Francisco's historic exhibit at the 1939 International Fair, and is currently being restored to its former glory. Mr. Green, 85, was the original designer. (photo by Bill Malkiel)

## Decision has no impact

The Army's position on the Bakke decision was clarified by Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander and General Bernard W. Rogers, Army Chief of Staff in an official letter printed below.

The recent Supreme Court decision, **Regents of the University of California v. Allan P. Bakke**, has no impact on the Army's affirmative actions plan and policies. That decision, to the extent it affects us at all, provides support for our current programs.

The Army, due largely to its affirmative action efforts, has made significant progress in the area of equal opportunity. The planning and execution of affirmative action measures by commanders and leaders at all levels remain a key element in our effort to achieve this goal. Continued support of our affirmative action programs remains undiminished and it is expected of both civilian and military managers at all appropriate levels. There can be no lessening of involvement in this effort. We will continue to require of leaders a commitment and effort equivalent to that expected in meeting other significant mission objectives. The decision of the Supreme Court in the Bakke case does not abridge or otherwise affect that commitment.



# PSF Spotlight



**Donna Sims**

Donna Sims, 16, daughter of Lt. Col. Donald (Deputy Installation Commander, Ft. Baker, Barry, Cronkite) and Marie Sims, has been selected as this year's student representative to the California State Board of Education.

Donna, who is a straight A student at Oceana High School in Pacifica, was elected to the State Education Post during a recent Student Leadership Conference in Santa Barbara by 800 student delegates.

As the student representative to the State Board of Education, she will present the views of 4.2 million California students from kindergarten through high school. "It will be my job to make sure the Board of Education is made aware of the views of students on actions taken by the Board that will affect them," said Donna.

Donna Sims, a dynamic young leader, hopes to attend Harvard University, specializing in corporate law.

## Teenage Seminar

A special seminar for teenagers aged 13-18 will be presented at Fort Mason Youth Center on August 25, 12-5 p.m., August 26, 9-5, and August 27, 2-4 p.m. The Program will be presented by Mr. Lester Brown of Pacific Institute. It is a fun and exciting presentation on Realizing Your Potential, on Handling Growth and Change, and Taking a New Look at Motivation and Goal Achievement.

The benefits include: Methods of instilling confidence in your ability to win; how to communicate effectively and improve personal relationships; how to set personal goals; and how to improve Grade Point Average and athletic skills.

The cost is \$10 per person and availability is limited to the first 60 individuals to submit registration forms. These forms are available at the Religious Activities Center, Bldg. 682, ext. 3535, Dependent Youth Activities Office, Bldg. 122, ext. 5143, and Human Relations Development Division, Bldg. 909, ext. 5433.

# News Break

## IG Survey

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## Protestant Retreat

A Family and Singles Retreat at Cazadero Retreat Center will be sponsored by the Presidio Protestant chapel community on September 15-17. The retreat, which is designed to provide spiritual growth, will give participants the opportunity to experience camping, recreation and nature. There also will be small group conferences, worship and fellowship. For further information contact the Post Chapel at ext. 4239/4719.

## Failing PT tests

A recent DA message has been sent to commanders reminding them of the requirement to take corrective action in the case of soldiers who fail physical fitness tests.

Soldiers who fail to pass a physical training (PT) test must undergo special conditioning. An official said an upcoming change to AR 600-9 will require soldiers in these programs to be retested within 60 days after they first fail tests. Trainees who do not meet minimum PT standards will receive remedial training and, if they still flunk tests, will be recycled in training units or considered for administrative action. Waivers may only be given by the Training and Doctrine Command, the official said.

Other soldiers who fail to pass PT tests more than once may be separated "whenever a soldier's repeated failure is indicative of apathy, medical complications or other causes," officials say. (ARNEWS)

## USAG 'Specialty Night'

There will be a "Seafood Specialty Night" on August 23 at the USAG Dining Facility. The serving hours will be from 4:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m.

Highlighting the menu will be Fried Oysters, Fried Scallops, Stuffed Shrimp, Lobster Tail, and Fried Fish. All enlisted personnel are welcome. Officers, dependents and civilians are welcome as accompanied guests of enlisted personnel.

## Tour Length Rules

Some confusion still exists about "new tour length rules" that went into effect this year. Soldiers who returned from an overseas assignment after February 28 are required to serve at least a year at a CONUS installation before they are eligible for retirement. However, those who returned before that date do not have this obligation. Individuals making a PCS move within CONUS also must serve at least one year at their new station before retirement. This is not a change from the previous policy.

## English classes

The Army Education Center now offers an extensive English as a Second Language Program. This program is designed to increase the speaking and understanding power of soldiers and dependents whose native tongue is other than English. For further information contact Roz Ruhl — ext. 4900.

## Circus in town

Ringling Bros. Barnum and Bailey Circus discount tickets are on sale now at your ITT Office in Bldg. 135. These performances are in San Francisco at the COW PALACE. We have tickets for Wednesday, August 23 through Saturday, August 26. These are \$7.00 reserve seats that can be yours for only \$5.50. For additional information call 5480/5420 after 7 p.m.

## Movies

## Scuba Class

Outdoor Recreation is sponsoring a basic SCUBA Class beginning on Tuesday September 5 with a swim screen. The swim test will be held at 6 p.m. in the pool in building 69. The class will continue for ten weeks, with two weekends on the seashore. Cost is \$60.00 and there is a minimum of ten students and a maximum of fifteen. Contact your Outdoor Recreation Office in Bldg. 92 for further details.

## VA assistance

If ETS or retirement plans are in your future, better contact the Veterans Administration (VA). This contact is critical if you are leaving active duty due to disability.

To insure that information about your periods of service and physical condition are on file at the VA, visit the Contact Officer at your nearest VA facility. The Contact Officer will assist you in filing the necessary papers. These papers are important and could be responsible for your getting future veteran's benefits.

Remember, contact the VA before you separate or retire to assure that you receive all the benefits to which you are entitled. (FORSCOM)

Sorry, no movie schedule this week.

## Senior enlisted increase

Last week DA announced plans to increase the number of senior enlisted soldiers on active duty between 1979 and 1984. There will be 15,000 more soldiers in grades E-4 and above, 8,000 of whom will be E-5s or above.

The plan was changed because there are more soldiers qualified for reenlistment than anticipated. While it increases the number of senior soldiers, it does not increase the Army's total size. By keeping additional experienced soldiers on active duty, the Army will also reduce the number of soldiers it needs annually by more than 11,000. This will allow the Army to maintain present standards during a time when the number of young people eligible for service will be declining, and as a result will reduce recruiting and training costs.



# Star Presidian

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## MPs one step ahead of SQT

by Ron Renouf

Training in the Army has traditionally been handled by an instructor trying to lecture to a platoon size or larger group. This method created many problems. However, with the advent of more modern training systems and technological advances, this mass training method is seeing its last days.

Bartley is rapidly expanding learning material available, also. "By January of '79 we will have about 100 of the new tapes on Military Police subjects. Right now we have 247 tapes divided between 38 subjects."

For each tape there is a corresponding lesson aid on file. These aids are used to assist an instructor in



504th Military Police Battalion soldiers are using video-taped programs at the Learning Lab at Fort Scott to train for the SQT. Left to right are Sgt. John Cook, PFC Lou Gladfelter, Sgt. Fred Reed and PFC Don Murphy (photo by William Malkiel).

Replacing mass training are Training Extension courses, TEC. With TEC, now in effect at the 504th MP Bn. Learning Center at Ft. Scott, an individual is able to find his or her weaknesses. Identifying these problem areas is a critical part of the program, so a pretest is given which determines the individual's proficiency in all aspects of his particular job and areas in which improvement is needed.

According to Sgt. Steven Bartley, NCOIC of the newly opened Learning Center, "It then becomes a simple matter to set up an individual training program tailored to that person's needs."

The learning center, operated by Bartley, is organized into three areas, including an individual study area, a group study area and the administrative area. To aid the soldier in increasing his level of proficiency, the center features audio-visual lessons and projectors, audio tapes and tape players, printed materials and job aids — material and equipment used on the job.

While the learning center was primarily designed for the use of those men and women assigned to the 504th MP Bn., Bartley welcomes any soldier who can benefit from the material available for use at the facility.

presenting the tape to a class. The center features some 1,200 manuals covering a wide area of military subjects along with 400 lesson plans covering 26 categories.

TEC is an important step forward in improving the level of professionalism of the individual soldier. TEC works with the Army Training and Evaluation Program (ARTEP) and gives the unit commander the opportunity to provide individual and group training at the same time, while also giving a way for the soldier to improve his performance in the SQT, ARTEP and in combat.

"But most important," says Bartley, "these materials have been tested, actually 'tried out,' on soldiers from various fields to insure that they do teach. This validation process is one of the more important differences between TEC and conventional instruction. It's been tried. We know it works."

"We are limited in the use and effectiveness of the program only by our own imaginations," Bartley sums up.

## Welcome, CG

Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester, new Commanding General of Sixth U.S. Army, will be welcomed in an Honor Ceremony to be held next Wednesday at 4 p.m. at the Main Parade Field in front of Sixth Army Headquarters.

Prior to being named Commanding General of Sixth Army, General Forrester was commander of the U.S. Army Recruiting Command, Ft. Sheridan, Illinois. He succeeds Lt. Gen. Edward M. Flanagan, Jr., who retired June 30.

## E-4 housing

Due to a recent abundance of available family housing on the Presidio, all E-4s with *less than two years in service, with dependents, are now eligible to apply for government quarters. When reporting to the Housing Office, Bldg. 227, be sure to bring a copy of the orders assigning you to the Presidio and a copy of your promotion orders to E-4.*

There are presently some houses available and the outlook for the future is for more vacancies. At the time application is made a complete orientation will be given.

For more information contact the Housing Office, ext. 2040/3452.

## Woman, Man of the Year



Violet K. Sheridan

For the first time one of the highlights of today's Sixth Annual Women's Day Program was the presentation of certificates-of-achievement to the woman-of-the-year and the man-of-the-year by Colonel John D. Hamilton, the post commander.

This honor was established by the FWP Committee to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions to the career goals of women in Federal service and will be continued each year.

Honored as this year's woman-of-the-year was Violet K. Sheridan, PAO. The certificate stated in part "...for contributions to the career advancement of Presidio women during the period August 1977 to August 1978. As Chief of the Command Information Division, Presidio Public Affairs Office, she has insured that all activities of the Federal Women's Program receive preliminary publicity, and, consequently, full coverage in the Star Presidian. As a Vice President of the Association of the United States Army, she has consistently encouraged women to join this key management organization and thus expand their interest, visibility, and overall knowledge of Army Policies...."



Colonel John R. Meese

Colonel John R. Meese, Sixth Army DCS Resource Management, was selected as the man-of-the-year "...for his support and contributions to the Federal Women's Program at the Presidio during the period August 1977 to August 1978. On February 16 1978, on behalf of the Federal Women's Program and as a part of the activities for Black History Week, Colonel Meese spoke on the topic: "Affirmative Actions from the Manager's Standpoint." Colonel Meese is also well known locally as an adviser who takes an active interest in promoting the careers of women and other minority personnel...."



# Crime Scene

Phencyclidine, or PCP, has emerged over the last decade as an illicit street drug of major importance.

The use of PCP as an illicit drug is generally believed to have begun in San Francisco in 1967 where it appeared in tablet form under the street name of "Peace Pill." The most common names for the powdered form of PCP are 'Angel Dust' and 'Hog.' PCP has also picked up over a score of other slang names, many of which reflect the confused manner in which PCP is regarded by local drug cultures. Some names are: Killer Weed, Crystal, Elephant Tranquilizer, Embalming Fluid and Cadillac.

When injected or snorted, the effects of PCP occur almost immediately. When swallowed or smoked, the effects begin in about 15 minutes and may last for several hours or days. Recorded reactions include body image distortion, dizziness, apathy, flashing double vision, or detachment. Reported unpleasant side effects are nausea, paranoia, hallucinations, a feeling of dying, catatonia, and repetitive behavior patterns.

The reaction to PCP may be in the form of acute intoxication resulting in senseless violent acts. PCP stays in the bloodstream for unusually long periods of time. After recovery from PCP poisoning, recurring bouts of schizoid behavior have been known to occur in patients again, without being drug induced.

In summary, PCP can do very nasty things to your mind and your body and is just as unpredictable as LSD.

## Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor,

I am taking this opportunity to write in response to your recent survey: "How Are We Doing?" in the Aug. 11 issue. Your newspaper touches on many areas and I enjoy each issue I read.

However, I do have a few suggestions I think would improve the paper. For instance, in the Ramblin' Sam column it would be nice if you put the question in the newspaper, then let the readers write in the responses, which you could publish the next week. This would give people the opportunity to express their views and you might get more varied answers.

I also think there should be more articles relating to the civilians on post. There are many civilians who read the paper, not dependents, and most of us are not familiar with the military subjects. We'd get a kick out of reading about the civilians.

I would appreciate hearing from you on these suggestions.

Thank you.

Mrs. Earliiss L. Johnson  
Family Housing Division

Thanks ever so much for taking the time to fill out the readers survey. I was very grateful for your interest in our paper. Your comments are much more expanded than the ones I have received in other surveys.

Your new proposal for a Ramblin' Sam format is a challenging one, but unfortunately from our experience, there is just too little time for such an operation to be implemented. I do all the interviewing and picture taking on the spot to insure that there are enough views presented on a particular question.

On the other hand, your request for more civilian coverage seems valid. Many other surveys state a need for more civilian coverage. Hopefully, you will see some changes in the near future on this matter.

Once again, thank you for your interest. Please feel free to contact me at any time concerning our newspaper. — Editor

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## Ramblin' Sam



What do you regret most in life ?

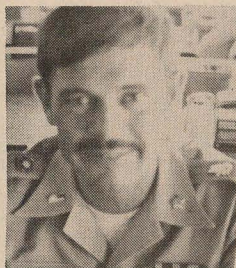


Mrs. Pat Capone, Incentive Awards Administrator, CPO — "Not going to college, because it has hampered my job development."

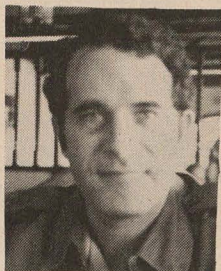


Miss Elizabeth Gleason, Typist, CPO — "I really don't regret anything in my lifetime. I have learned from all my experiences so I really can't regret anything."

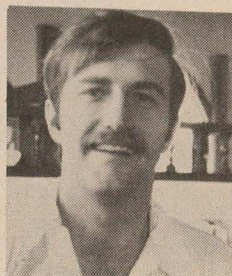
2nd Lt. John Russell, Readiness Officer, 6th Army DCS — "The things that I regret most are the things that I did not do rather than the things I did."



Pvt. 2 Jan Durham, Orthotic Specialist, Brace and Limb Shop, LAMC — "I regret that when my grandmother was dying of cancer that I didn't spend more time with her. I feel bad when I look back on that now."

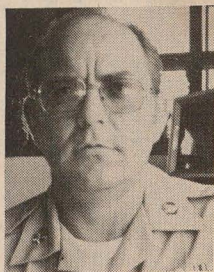


Maj. Blair Thrush, Allergist, LAMC — "I regret not taking an assignment to Germany. I believe it would have been a more broadening experience culturally for my family and me."



Sp4 John Mryden, Transient Status, Thompson Hall — "That's the wrong question to ask me right now. Everything is going so great for me and life has been good to me. I really can't think of anything negative to say."

MSgt. Robert Lewis, Asst. IG Inspector, 6th Army IG — "I regret not making more money, because there are some things that without money you just can't do."



Pvt. 2 Lisa Perrone, Admin. Clerk, Dental Activity, LAMC — "I regret my first permanent party station at Ft. McClellan. I believe that the moral standards set down by my company there were very low."



## Woman's Day Program

### RECREATION CENTER (Building 135)

- 8:20 - 10:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP A**  
Creative Living (Prince Room)  
Major Jean Kuttner
- 8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP C**  
Effectiveness Training  
(Room 200 - Upstairs)  
Robert Gilbert
- 8:20 - 9:50 a.m. **WORKSHOP D**  
An Introduction to Assertiveness Training  
(East Wing-Game Room)  
Helen Hendricks and Linda Hoche
- 8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP E**  
Star Power (West Wing-Dining Rm)  
Major Mario Macaluso  
Major Jeffrey Boynton  
CPT Lew Levy
- 8:20 - 11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP G**  
Are You Still Sitting There?  
(Music Room - Basement)  
Norman Ishimoto
- 10:20-11:20 a.m. **WORKSHOP B**  
Smoke Watchers (Prince Room)  
Robert V. Wharton
- 11:20-12 noon **Lunch and Assemble** at  
PSF Theater (Bldg 99)

### POST THEATER (Building 99)

- 12:00-1:00 p.m. **KEYNOTE SPEAKER** — Judge  
Ollie Marie-Victoire  
Presentation of Certificates-of-Achievement (Woman-of-the-Year and Man-of-the-Year Honors)
- RETURN TO RECREATION CENTER**
- 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP B**  
Smoke Watchers (Prince Room)
- 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP C**  
Effectiveness Training  
(Room 200 - Upstairs)
- 1:00 - 2:30 p.m. **WORKSHOP D**  
An Introduction to Assertiveness Training  
(East Wing - Game Room)
- 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP F**  
Women in Management - "Why Not You?"  
Toni James (West Wing - Dining Room)
- 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP H**  
A Fresh Look at Yoga  
(Music Room - Basement)  
Rich Miller, M.A., Director  
Marin School of Yoga
- 2:00 - 4:00 p.m. **WORKSHOP A**  
Creative Living (Prince Room)



# Blood, the gift of life



Enjoying refreshments after giving blood to the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank are these soldiers from D Company, 864th Engineer Battalion. The company donated 28 units of blood recently during a critical time of year when blood reserves were extremely low (photo courtesy of Irwin Memorial Blood Bank). Engineers ??

## Fort Mason: the bay's fun fort

by Phil Bernal

"The circus is coming! The circus is coming! The circus is coming to town! Okay, now everybody sing!" Sounds of children's voices carry across the open fields at Fort Mason as the kids join in with the Pickle Family Circus MC. Just one of many events sponsored by the Golden Gate National Recreation Area (GGNRA), the Circus has now become an annual event at the fort.

While a fort may seem like an unusual place to hold a circus, Fort Mason is not a fort in the usual sense. Though by law the Army may still use certain portions of it, the installation itself is part of the GGNRA operated by the National Park Service. As such, it is pres-

ently going through a major renovation which will benefit the military personnel who live there as well as other San Francisco residents. The 25 acres of picture-perfect picnic area will become a gateway to recreation.

Located just east of the Presidio beyond the Saint Francis Yacht Club and the Marina Green, Fort Mason was founded in 1797 by the Spanish, and named for the first U.S. Military Governor of California, Colonel Richard Mason, when the Americans took possession in 1847.

The piers in the lower part of the fort were built in 1910-1911 and later played an important role when the fort was the principal port of embarkation for Army personnel moving to and from the Pacific theater from World War II until 1962.

Since that time, however, most of the military functions of the fort have gradually ceased. Though it still houses Presidio and Oakland Army Base military families and has a chapel and officers' club, even these structures may be vacated should the fort be completely turned over to the Park Service for their use.

Tentative plans for the buildings still in use by the Army include conversion to a senior citizens' club, a community garden center, various class and meeting rooms, and expansion of the current youth hostel. Headquarters for the entire GGNRA, which includes other coastal areas in San Francisco and Marin, would be relocated from another building on the fort to one of the Army buildings if the plan is ever implemented, according to a GGNRA spokesman.

As part of the current renovation, the upper part of the fort is being redesigned and landscaped to create open space for individual recreational activities. Existing roads will be removed to minimize traffic, but new parking areas will be built on the edges of the fort to accommodate visitors.

The master plan calls for the pier area to be developed for various activities sponsored by the Fort Mason Foundation. These include arts and crafts, dance classes, energy conservation seminars, fairs, special children's programs and many, many more.

Yes, the circus comes to Fort Mason — and so does a lot more. For more information about Fort Mason activities, contact GGNRA headquarters at 556-2922.



Yes, the circus comes to Fort Mason — and so does a lot more (photo courtesy of GGNRA).

## Sports at a glance

The tossing of a spiral pass, a body fake and crisp blocking — football season is upon us again.

This year's company intramural action will take place at the PX Field, located next to the Post Library — where coaches can screen books for choice plays. This style of football involves wearing special flags on each side, having seven people to a side and a brand of playing that creates quick action. Safety and a level of play for all is emphasized. Size helps, but quickness and spirit usually prevail. Games are hard to predict as scores can sometimes be high (very offensive) or low (stingy defense).

The first game starts on August 28 at 6 p.m. Come out and support your favorite team.

The August Fun Run saw **Sam Rojas (LAMC)** cruise to a good time, 36:26, over a tough 6-mile course. Fourteen other runners joined him on the course that loops around the post on the main roads, starting and finishing at Gym #1, Bldg. #63.

Each month a Fun Run race will take place at one of the three gyms on Post. The next race is at noon, September 13, at **Gym #2 (behind LAMC)**. It will be a flat 4 miles. All levels of runners on post are invited and all finishers receive their time and place of finish. Please call ext. 4120/5032 and ask for Bob Darling for further information on running.

**Richard Ament (6th Army)** defeated **Creed Smith (Med-Lab)** for the 1978 Post Handball Championship. The scores of the three game match were: 21-5, 10-21, 21-8. Ament had lost to Smith in the second round and had to come thru the losers bracket to meet Smith again.

The Rec Center has home game 49er tickets for sale. Tickets available are for September 10 - Chicago, October 1 - Cincinnati, November 12 - St. Louis, November 19 - Los Angeles, and November 27 - Pittsburgh. These tickets will be sold on a first come, first served basis. The price is only \$5.50. These are all reserved seats. Call ext. 5420 after 2 p.m.



# PSF Spotlight



photo by Jim Canfield

Never having worked before, Mrs. Beatrice Wolcott, of San Francisco, tackled her first job ten years ago when she volunteered to work at the Thrift Shop here. Her efforts were recently noted when she was selected Community Citizen of the Quarter.

Having no other military connections, her interest in the Thrift Shop was initiated by a former worker, Mrs. Hills, a retired colonel's wife.

"I started working just one day a week," Mrs. Wolcott explained. "Then it was two, then three. Now, I'm here every time the store's open. I've really enjoyed it."

With no hobbies to speak of, Mrs. Wolcott said, "Working here is more like a hobby for me. I've met many nice ladies and my co-workers are wonderful."

"When I first started working," Mrs. Wolcott continued, "I was put at the jewelry counter. I told the lady I didn't know if I could do it. She said it'll come to you. And believe me, it has!"

## Ed Center news

Are you college bound and planning to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT)? Would you like to earn college credit by taking the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests? If you need to brush up on your English grammar and composition skills to score better on these tests or to enroll in a college level English Composition class, this course is for you. An instructor will be available at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg 1216, every Tuesday and Thursday, from 2:30 p.m. to 5 p.m. beginning September 5 to help you with your English skills. During this time classes will be conducted on a small group or individualized basis according to the needs of the students.

You need not sign up for the entire two and a half hours a day to benefit from the instruction, nor do you have to sign up for both days. Come for as much time as you can. The courses are given to active duty military personnel, their adult dependents and DACs on a space available basis. For more information or to sign up for the classes, call the Education Center, ext. 4445/2974.

**Everyday Finance - A Class in Consumer Mathematics:** Brush up on your budget mathematics by learning about personal and family financial record keeping, credit, interest, banking services and expense records. The course will be held at the Education Center, Bldg. 1216, 6 p.m. to 7:30 p.m., Monday and Wednesday, beginning September 6. There is no fee for the course and it is open to military personnel, adult dependents and civilians who work at the Presidio. For further information or to enroll call the Education Center, ext. 4445/2974.

**US Citizenship Course:** This course is designed to help foreign-born students prepare for the US citizenship test. Active duty military, their adult dependents, and civilian personnel who work at the Presidio can enroll in the course. Class will begin September 5 and will be held Tuesday and Thursday from noon to 2 p.m. and on Friday from 1 p.m. to 2 p.m. There is no fee for the course. For further information or to enroll, call the Education Center, ext. 4445/2974.

# News Break

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## Service couples

Soldiers who are married to other service members should consult their personnel officers if they wish to be considered for joint domicile in future assignments. A new preference statement code "J" is now necessary for couples wanting joint assignments (AR-NEWS).

## Army pays FHA

The Army is authorized by the National Housing Act to pay mortgage insurance premiums to FHA for eligible active duty home buyers. Retirees, those separated or relieved from active duty, and soldiers called to active duty for training, are not eligible.

Mortgage insurance premium is the charge payable to the FHA by Department of the Army for insuring the loan to the lender.

The primary advantages of the program are lower down payments for housing with an appraised value of \$25,000 or higher, and payment of mortgage insurance premiums by the Army while you're on active duty.

Certificates of eligibility are issued to active duty military who meet the following requirements: 1. Are currently on active duty; 2. Have completed over two years active service to include service at the US Military Academy; 3. Require housing either at a retirement location or where the soldier desires his family to live.

For application procedures and additional information on the program, refer to AR 608-8, "Mortgage Insurance for Service Members." (FORSCOM)

## Retiree travel allowances

Potential retirees, did you know you were eligible for travel allowances to your retirement home?

The Army will provide an authorized travel allowance from your last duty station to your home of record or to your "home of selection," provided the travel is completed within one year of your retirement date.

You are eligible for travel allowances if you retire with pay, with eight or more years continuous active duty immediately before you retire, or if you retire from active duty as a result of physical disability and receive placement on the Temporary Disability Retired List.

Reimbursement of travel expenses for you and your dependents is made after the travel is performed.

Your retirement services officer can provide more specific details. (FORSCOM)

## ETSing?

Before you separate, learn about the current job market, re-employment rights, federal jobs, on-the-job training opportunities, financial aid for further education, and your veterans benefits.

Attend the Employment Program September 21 at 1:30 p.m. at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216. Call 3692/4030 to reserve your place.

## Action Line

Our ACTION LINE record-a-call machine is out for repairs. In the meantime, anyone with a question or complaint that cannot be handled through the chain-of-command can call the Star Presidian staff at ext. 3908 during normal office hours Monday through Wednesday. We will handle your query just as we would otherwise; names will be withheld from publication on request.

## USO photo course

Don Brown, professional photographer and graphic designer, will be the instructor of a new free photography workshop at the San Francisco USO every Wednesday at 7 p.m. The workshop, open to military and dependents, offers something for everyone interested in photography. Beginners will learn to develop their own film. For further information, contact the USO - 776-3100.

## Civil Service survey

About five percent of the Civil Service (CS) workforce will participate in a racial and ethnic data survey within the next six months, CS officials have announced.

The study is necessary, according to officials, to comply with federal directives aimed at standardizing racial and ethnic definitions. Results of the survey will be used in reports to congress and to evaluate equal opportunity programs, officials said.

CS officials stressed that survey participation is voluntary and that individual information gathered will be matched with the commission's central personnel data file (CPDF) sample extract file. The survey forms will then be destroyed and all personal identifiers removed.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Aug. 25, Movie schedule not available.

Saturday, Aug. 26, Race For Your Life, Charlie Brown! (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Aug. 26, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 27, F.I.S.T. (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Aug. 28, F.I.S.T. (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 29, Equus (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 30, The Greek Tycoon (R), 7 p.m.

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### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

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Monday, Aug. 28, Capricorn One (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Aug. 29, The Deep (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Aug. 30, An Unmarried Woman (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Aug. 31, It Lives Again (R), 7 p.m.

### Program Synopsis

**EQUUS (R)** Jenny Agutter entices disturbed Peter Firth into a disastrous liaison. To her it is nothing more than an interlude, but to him it was an act that triggered a terrible crime. Richard Burton is the sensitive child psychiatrist who tries to help Firth.

**THE GREEK TYCOON (R)** This love story is about Theo Tomasis (Anthony Quinn), the richest and most flamboyant shipping magnate, and Liz Cassidy (Jacqueline Bisset) widow of a President of the U.S. The story unfolds fortunes and misfortunes of the jet set, Tomasis' competitive brother, his ill-fated son, his tragic wife and his volatile actress-mistress.

**F.I.S.T. (PG)** In 1937 Sylvester Stallone and a friend are hired as organizers for the local F.I.S.T. (Federation of Interstate Truckers). A local hood aids the union men in a fight with the company owner. Stallone rises through the ranks to president of the powerful union. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.





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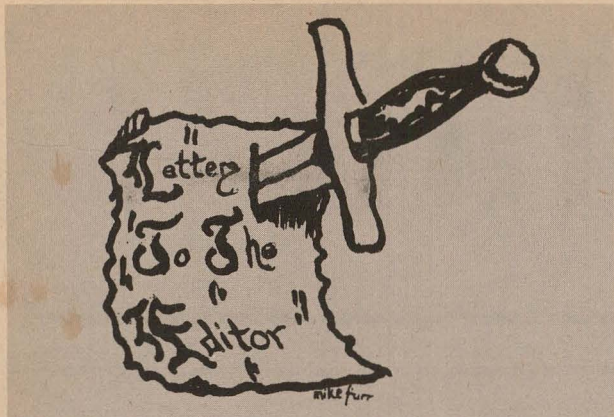
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**Seen in a different light**





#### Dear Editor:

I was appalled at most of the responses to last week's "Ramblin' Sam" question: "Do you believe that a time limit extension should be granted to pass the ERA?"

The seven-year period which Congress established for states to consider the ERA was simply a convenient and arbitrary number — some amendments have had no time limit at all. Although there has been sufficient time for states to deal with the ERA, the fact is that there are several state legislatures which have failed to bring the issue to a vote and instead have defeated it in committee or tabled it, despite the fact that opinion polls have consistently shown that a majority of Americans favor passage of the ERA!

It is relevant to ask what some of our legislators — and others who oppose the ERA — have to gain by defeating a proposal guaranteeing equal rights to our country's entire population. Although there are piecemeal laws preventing discrimination because of sex, a Constitutional amendment is necessary to clearly state this as the law of the land, since the Supreme Court has failed to interpret the 14th Amendment as applying to issues of sex.

The entire text of the ERA is as follows: **Section 1:** Equality of rights under the law shall not be denied or abridged by the United States or by any State on account of sex. **Section 2:** The Congress shall have the power to enforce, by appropriate legislation, the provisions of this article. **Section 3:** This amendment shall take effect two years after the date of ratification.

What could be simpler? In my opinion, it is a great embarrassment that our democratic country did not approve the ERA in the shortest possible time without any debate being necessary. I would also like to remind my military and civilian co-workers that our democracy depends on the informed opinions of its citizens.

Jeane Redsecker

## TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to another week of Troop Talk.

Been waiting for units on post to call with some news. Hope to establish contact with LAIR and LAMC. We should have coverage on 6th Army Band shortly. Any other news? Keep the calls coming.

USAG reports the ETS of SSgt. Randy Butehorn. PCSing are Sp4 Kathy Goodwin and PFC Dwane Scott. The unit encourages everyone to register to vote by absentee ballot. Unit voting officer is Lt. Benjamin Agustin.

HHD, 504th MP Bn. welcomes the arrival of Sp4 Marc Nicholson from Germany. Farewells were made to Sp4 John Young who ETSed.

Over at D Co., 864th Engrs. there were some promos given. James McRoy, Gary Runner and Billy Williams all received Sp4. The CO, David French, made Captain. Congratulations to all of you. Sgt. John Hackett is off on TDY for recruiting duty.

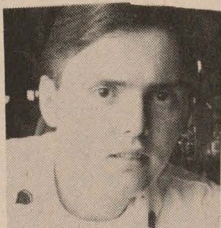
170th MP Co. proudly welcomed SFC Randolph Seale from Germany and Pvt. Jorge Villaverde who just completed AIT and hometown recruiting duty in Los Angeles. Sp4 Richard Tassoni re-enlisted for Korea.

That's all for this week. Take care.

## Ramblin' Sam

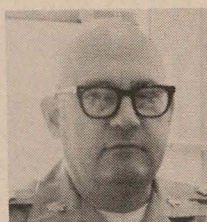


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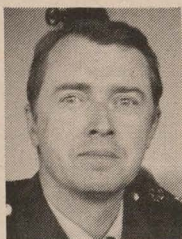


Sp5 John Fourquet, 91C Student, LAMC — "Yes, because the Transportation Office at my last unit misspelled my name. I had a long delay with my shipment. Other than that my moves have been good."

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Norris Webster, Chaplain Coordinator, IX — "No, not at all. My moves have been just routine. I was a little disappointed with my packers in Germany. I have a feeling they went a little too quickly, but overall my moves have been good."



Lt. Col. Clayton Dillavon, Ch, Microbiology, LAMC — "It's been quite some time since we've made a move, but overall our moves could be rated fair. Coming from Germany we had a container of goods dropped and as a result we had some damage and pilferage."

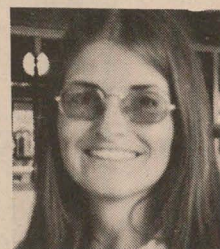


Mrs. Nancy Robertson, wife of CW3 William Robertson — "I have made eight moves and have had no trouble at all. All my household goods were safe and arrived at the proper time."



Mrs. Cheryl Smith, wife of SSgt. Dana Smith, 6th Army Band — "Yes, we had problems on our first move. The Transportation Office didn't properly inform us on how to move our goods. We had goods lost and stolen and had no inspector on hand to observe our shipment problems. Since that time, our moves have been better."

Miss Linda Massey, Community Relations Officer, PAO — "I have had no real serious problems. However, as an Army brat, I observed the problems my parents had on PCSes; for instance, we had a brass bed that was attached to the back of the truck instead of being put inside the van. There was considerable damage to the bed. Also reimbursement for damage done was difficult. The ironic thing was that my father was a Transportation officer."



Lt. Col. Patrick Brady, Medical Coordinator, Readiness Region IX — "I have had no real significant problems, just little annoying things. The problem usually exists on the other end. So many times you arrive at a post and there is nowhere to live. A guest house is not enough. By the way, the guys who offloaded me, here, were terrific."



### Editorial!

## Easy living, relaxed standards

The Presidio of San Francisco is more like a college campus than an Army Installation, and this creates an atmosphere of easy living and a tendency for relaxed standards of military bearing, courtesy and dress. It would serve no purpose to delve into the reasons for this situation...enough to say that it does appear to be the case.

There have been a number of items published in a variety of official documents recently, indicating that officials in Department of Army are aware of this trend, not only on the Presidio, but throughout the Army. These notices have stressed the need for leaders at all levels of command to work toward a return to the proper Army uniform, citing the recent proliferation of unauthorized headgear, footwear and appurtenances.

In a newsletter to all Public Affairs Officers issued by the Chief of Public Affairs for Department of the Army, it was pointed out that momentum was building at several levels of command, including HQ DA to get the Army back into proper uniform. Closely tied to this problem is the need to return to a stricter observance of respect by and for all Army personnel and a return to high standards of military courtesy. These three things go hand-in-hand. Respect and courtesy will naturally follow as the Army moves back to the correct dress and appearance standards directed by regulation.

The Presidio is more vulnerable to a relaxing of standards than most Army posts because it lacks a contingent of combat and line units. Combat arms units tend to develop a very strong sense of pride and

esprit de corps in the members assigned, and this naturally leads to neater appearances and greater respect for superiors and subordinates alike. Unit commanders and NCOs on the Presidio are hard pressed to correct and control the situation here due to the relatively high ranking members of the Army among those failing to practice high standards. How does a Staff Sergeant tell a Colonel that he needs a haircut, or tell him to take his hands out of his pockets?

Now is the time to get our hands out of our pockets, hold our heads high and greet our fellow soldiers with a smart salute and a cheery Good Morning. This is our Army; we are soldiers because we choose to be. Let's make the Presidio the sharpest post in the Army!!!

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# It makes a big difference

by Louie Jones

Command sponsorship: Korea-bound dependents quickly learn the difference it makes in their lives. Generally speaking, command-sponsored dependents are entitled to all the privileges and services available in CONUS. Non-command sponsored dependents get only what is required by law and, according to the Joint Committee on Military Appropriations of the 94th Congress, that boils down to medical care.

Presently there are about equal numbers of sponsored and non-sponsored U.S. military dependents in Korea, with the total fluctuating but averaging around 13,000.



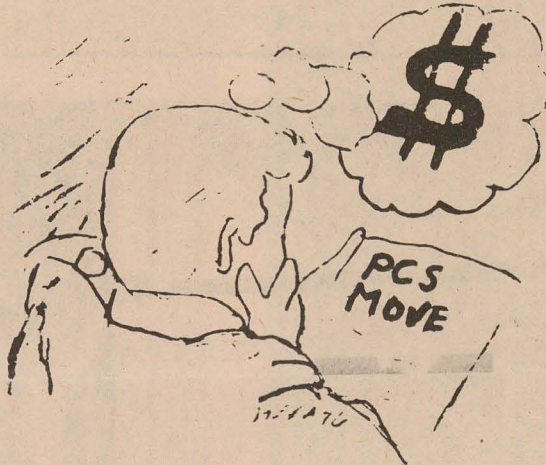
Military-oriented publications have published dependents' stories and letters ranging from bitter complaints of second class citizenship to replies of "The Army never promised you a rose garden: if you don't like it, go home."

Whatever the emotional overtones may be, there are some real problems faced by dependents who choose to go to Korea without command sponsorship. The three areas of housing, food and convenience turn out to be the biggest headaches for most.

Most of the non-sponsored dependents reside in Seoul, the capital city of Korea. Housing costs in Seoul seem to ride a continuous sky-rocket, and rival those of New York and Tokyo.

Families accustomed to paying a single month's rent as a security deposit stateside are in for a shock from "key money" rates in Seoul. Key money can range from \$500 to \$20,000, depending on the size, location and demand for the particular kind of apartment or house. Rents from \$230 to \$750 are common for a western style dwelling, and that doesn't include utilities. Those prices cover housing considered acceptable by western standards. It isn't always available, and the alternatives may lack modern toilet facilities, dependable hot water and kitchens.

Heat is often provided by an ondol, or charcoal briquette, floor heating system. The ondol system, both cheap and effective, is an illegal heating system for USFK members since it claims victims every winter through carbon monoxide poison.

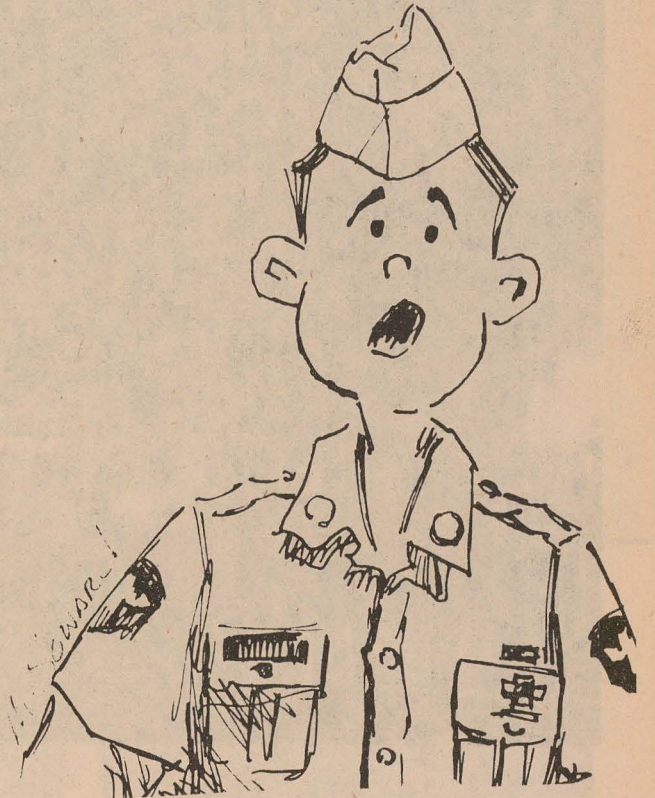


Purchase limits in the commissary and exchange outlets pose problems for non-sponsored dependents. A service member without command sponsorship may or may not be allowed access to the commissary. If billeting space is available, it is up to the individual unit commander whether or not the service member may reside in economy housing and draw separate rations.

A non-command sponsored service member authorized separate rations may spend only \$200 in the commissary and exchange combined. Without separate rations the total drops to \$160. Also, the service member may not be allowed access to the commissary.

Many dependents turn to the economy to supplement their supper table. But, the command advises against using most local produce, prescribing elaborate disinfecting measures for everything from fruit to water.

Convenience is lacking in Korea for non-sponsored dependents. Privately owned vehicles are available only to command sponsored service members in rear areas. Conditions in forward areas, such as the 2nd



Infantry Division and the I Corps (ROK/US) group areas, where the majority of Army troops in Korea are stationed, are considerably harsher than those described for Seoul and southern areas. They also lack the resources available in the capital city.

Allowing access to family services, recreational sites, snackbars and service clubs is within the command's authority, and they are used to help ease the problems of non-command sponsored dependents as much as possible.

One Specialist Five recounted the difficulties caused by bringing non-command sponsored dependents to Korea.

"I decided I would put up with the hassles, obstacles and roadblocks rather than be separated from my wife and son for a year.

"The first problem is paying for dependents travel out of your own pocket, which in my case was \$700. Non-command sponsored dependents aren't allowed space available travel either, so that route is closed. I will also have to pay for their return flight.

"Four-hundred pounds of hold baggage might be enough for a single soldier, but it's not close enough for a guy with dependents. That means another outlay of cash to the tune of between \$250-\$300."

He added one of the most frustrating experiences was the amount of time lost on shopping and travel.

"Have you ever tried to buy cosmetics or clothes for your wife without having her along to help? And then have to take them back because they're the wrong size or wrong shade? It's maddening.

"I get to use the commissary, but my wife can't enter and that's a hassle too. I'm always forgetting something, even with a list, that my wife would have remembered."

Lt. Gen. Vessey summed up the situation by saying, "I can understand the Congress' prohibition and we've followed the restrictions Congress has laid down. Now, at the same time, once the dependents are over here, they are our dependents and we're going to give all the help we can.... within the restrictions laid down."

It was a different story two years ago. Use of support services by non-command sponsored dependents was stopped by the Joint Committee in 1976. In February of that year, the Secretary of Defense directed the uniformed services to implement the policy, and it was made effective in Korea as of July 1, 1976.

Congress expressed two main concerns on dependents in Korea; the overcrowding of support facilities, and evacuation of non-combatants in case of war. Withdrawal of support service from non-sponsored dependents was one way of saying "We don't want you there." The action proved effective. The number of non-sponsored dependents declined from nearly 12,000 in February of 1976 to 6,700 in June 1978.

General John W. Vessey, Jr., Commander of U.S. Forces Korea and 8th Army summed up his position in an interview, commenting that, "It's a rough life for those who come over here and who don't have command sponsorship, but some have elected to come anyway. I can't violate the edicts of my superiors to give them support I'm not authorized to give them."

The command's interpretation of Congress' phrase that "In no case will non-sponsored dependents be permitted to use support services" means that not only are such dependents denied access to schools, commissaries, exchanges and class VI stores, but their sponsors have a monthly dollar purchasing limit designed to cope with only the sponsor's needs.

Education for school-aged non-command sponsored dependent youngster in Korea is expensive. There are three-western-type foreign schools with curriculums comparable or above normal U.S. standards, but yearly enrollments cost from \$1,400 to \$3,000 per child.

Reactions and opinions from the dependents themselves on the subject of sponsorship differ sharply.

## Europe: a red flag greeting

Soldiers and Army families assigned to Europe should not race across the Atlantic and expect a checkered flag greeting.

Many, especially junior enlisted members, are more likely to face a red flag that spells obstacles like high rents, expensive car insurance and unusually high costs in relocating.

Army officials recently cautioned soldiers about these and other drawbacks facing newly assigned families. DA has directed commanders to expand local information programs to include more detailed financial and cultural orientations. In addition to a new general travel information film, expected to reach the field next month, officials are putting together a slide and script package to give soldiers a balanced, accurate picture of being assigned in Europe.

Commanders, in addition to information on moving,

entitlements, and portcalls, will now warn soldiers that: initial costs for obtaining quarters in German communities often exceed \$1,000; rent and utility costs are higher than in the U.S.; a married enlisted person, under 25, can expect to pay at least \$400 annually for only the minimum liability auto insurance; German apartments are often small and unfurnished. Most are without built-in closets and light fixtures;

German communities are usually very quiet, and the residents may be bothered by such activities as loud playing of music, late parties or washing a car or mowing a lawn on Sundays; landlords have liberal rights to inspect their property; police have virtually unlimited search and seizure powers; Junior EM forced to live on the German economy are more dependent on expensive local goods due to limited access to commissaries, exchanges and other military services; and many soldiers request large advances in

pay and find it even more difficult to keep up with high costs while repaying their debts.

But there are a number of bright spots to life in Germany, Army officials say. If soldiers can cope with the financial problems, travel opportunities in Europe are plentiful. In addition: most military communities offer use of exchanges, theaters and year-round recreation facilities; high costs are partly offset by station housing and cost of living allowances (a PFC, married, with one child, and living on the economy, receives at least \$123 more monthly.); financial and social counseling services are available; and housing referral services are available.

Officials add that soldiers can make the most of a tour in Europe, despite problems, if they learn some of the native language, observe local customs, and participate in cultural exchange activities. (ARNews)





San Francisco City Hall, in the Civic Center, at night.

# San Francisco seen in a different light

story and photos by R.E. Leach

San Francisco is said to have the most artistic skyline of any major city in this country. That may be so, but I prefer looking at the 'trees,' not the 'forest.' And to get a more interesting look at the skyline in San Francisco, I chose nighttime to create a special effect.

There are a number of architecturally outstanding buildings in this town, and when seen at night, they seem to stand out even more. Take the Palace of Fine Arts on the front page, for example. Located just outside the Commissary Gate, this reminder of the 1915 Panama-Pacific International Exposition looks truly remarkable after dark.

About one mile west of the Presidio's 25th Street gate is the California Palace of the Legion of Honor. This classic Greek design building houses a fine arts museum and an ever-changing array of travelling exhibits. The church facing Washington Square illustrates yet another style of building.

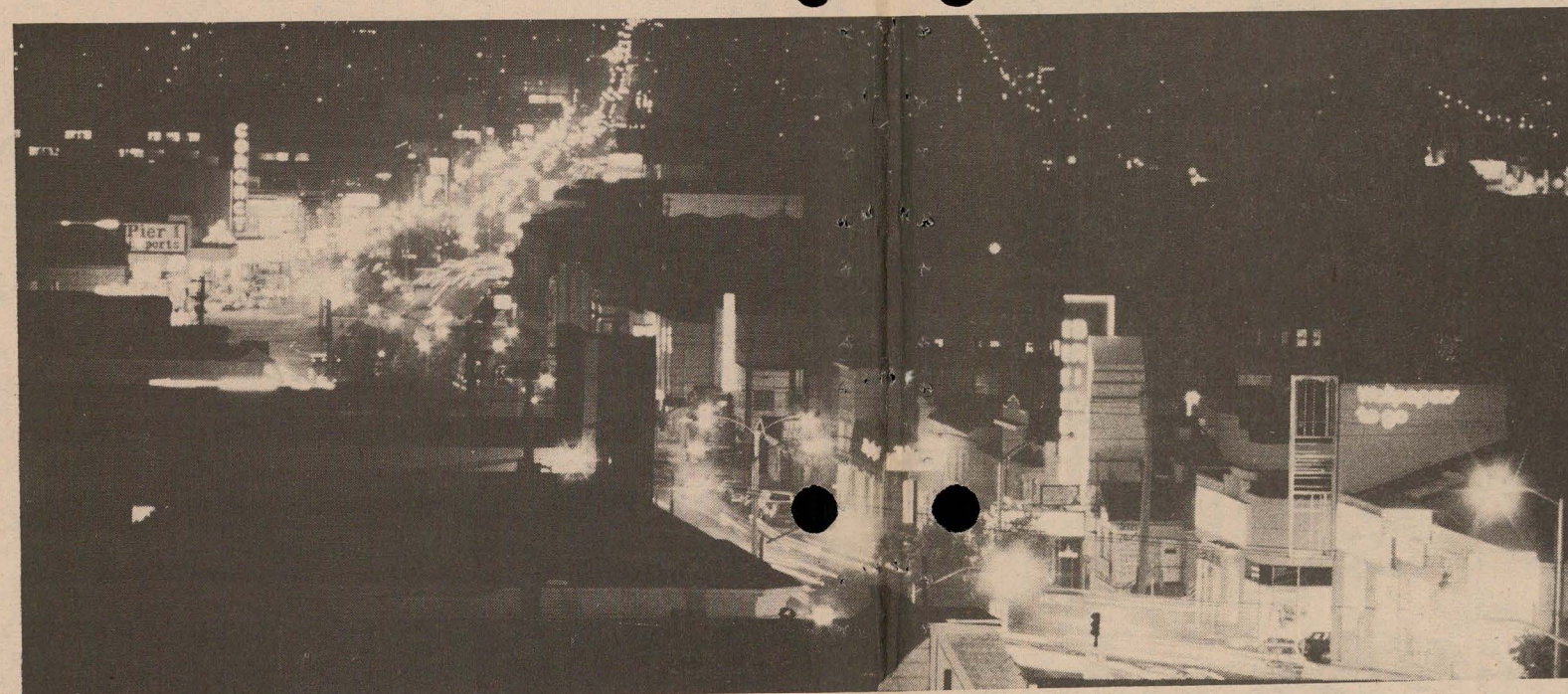
Perhaps the most unusual building is the Transamerica Building, downtown. At night, it almost appears to have a peak suspended, unattached, above the main part of the building. And of course, no tour of San Francisco at night would be complete without admiring the beautiful City Hall, just off Van Ness Avenue.



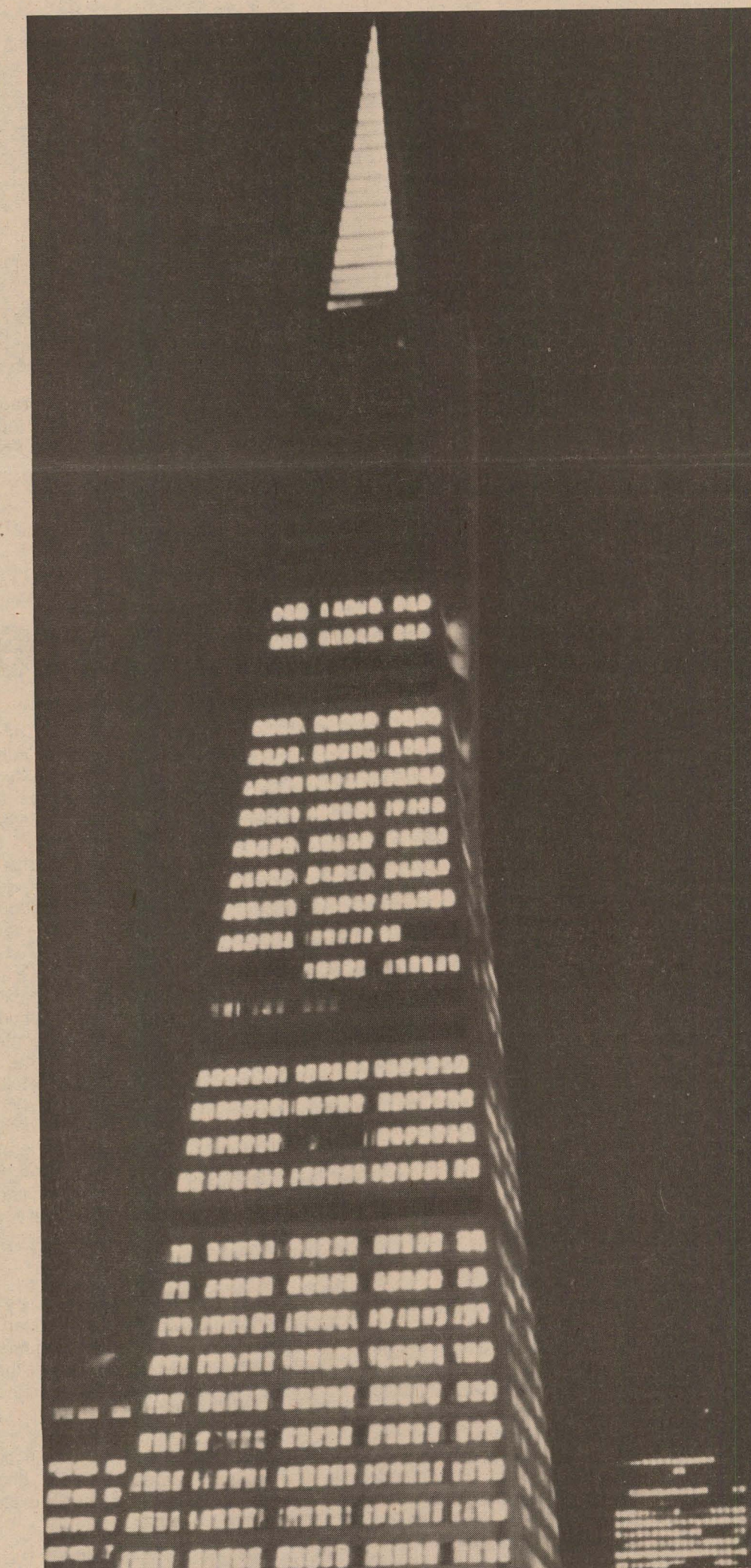
The California Palace of the Legion of Honor in Lincoln Park, on the western edge of the City houses a number of permanent displays, and periodically features a travelling exhibit from a variety of foreign nations.



This church faces Washington Square, on Filbert Street at Columbus Avenue.



Geary Boulevard, looking west from the top level of the Sears parking lot on Masonic Avenue.



The Transamerica pyramid, one of the most unusual buildings in San Francisco.



# I.G. survey

DA, IG, Commander, FORSCOM, and the Installation Commander are presently conducting a survey concerning Household Goods Movement and Storage for the period mid-May through mid-September. All personnel who have participated in moving and/or storage or personal property during this period are encouraged to fill out this survey and return it to the Office of the Inspector General or contact them at ext. 5311 or 5249.

1. Date moved?
2. Was prior planning given in anticipation of the "Peak Season" (May through September)?
  - a. When did you receive your orders?
  - b. How many days did you have for arrangement of Household Goods (HHG) shipment?
3. Was adequate publicity concerning the phenomenon of "Summer Peak" and its possible effect on shipment of HHG given?
4. What was the prevailing attitude within the command regarding the importance of personal property movement?
5. Did you receive adequate time to devote to shipment of HHG, hold baggage, and etc?
  - a. Number of days for in/out processing?
  - b. Number of days to arrange and pick-up HHG/hold baggage by Transportation?
6. Were you aware of your entitlement and responsibilities pertaining to shipment of HHG?
7. Were personal counseling, pamphlets, films and news releases used to make members aware of entitlement? If so, what type?
8. Was an inspection of HHG, personal property conducted by either Transportation or carrier personnel?
9. Was the carrier evaluated during the packing, crating and storage of HHG by local Transportation Office?
10. Were qualified quality control personnel actually scoring shipments by using MTMC Form 229 (Shipments From Information) or MTMC Form 235 (Member's Satisfaction Report)?
11. Were you counseled on the importance, use and completion of MTMC Form 235 (Member's Satisfaction Report)?
12. Did you receive your shipment by the requested delivery date? If not, what reason was given for late arrival?
13. Where did the shipment originate? What was its destination?

# Fun in the sun

photo by Lynn Ligon



Pvt. 2 Timothy South (foreground) and Pvt. 2 Daniel Smith (rear, civilian clothes) assists at picnic celebration for over five hundred summer aides who worked for various Federal Agencies in the Bay Area. The picnic, held at Fort Barry, was sponsored by the Internal Revenue Service.

# John and Jane ran away ...

by Don Delver

John was quiet as he sneaked out of his bedroom and down the stairs. He slipped quickly through the living room and out the front door. Waiting for him on the sidewalk was Jane, his sixteen year old girlfriend. "Did you bring everything?", she whispered excitedly. "Of course, did you?", he replied. "Let's hurry then," he said in response to her nod. The two runaways disappeared down the street, their worldly belongings carried in small packs on their backs.

After a few minutes, the reality of what they were doing began to dampen the euphoria they had felt at first. Slowly they became aware of a gnawing anxiety, a fear of what may lie ahead and of what their parents' reaction might be. "You know Jane, we ought to take a car, because if the cops see us wandering around this late at night, they're going to stop us for sure." "I don't think so, John," Jane replied. "We could really get into trouble." "We're already in trouble, especially if the cops bring us home to our folks," John stated impatiently. "Guess you're right, but how in the world are we going to get a car?" "Easy," John said, "most people don't bother to lock their cars, and a lot of people leave their keys right in the ignition."

The story from here on is fairly typical. The two kids did steal a car, then smashed it up trying to get away from a suspicious police officer. They were ultimately returned to their parents, very lucky, indeed, that they weren't badly hurt. The person who owned the car was not so lucky. Since he had left his keys in the ignition, his insurance did not pay for the damage to his car. Sadly, this is not an unusual case. More than 40% of all the cars stolen in the United States had the keys left in them. More than 80% were left unlocked.

Car theft is on the rise in this country, and although nothing you can do will guarantee your car won't be

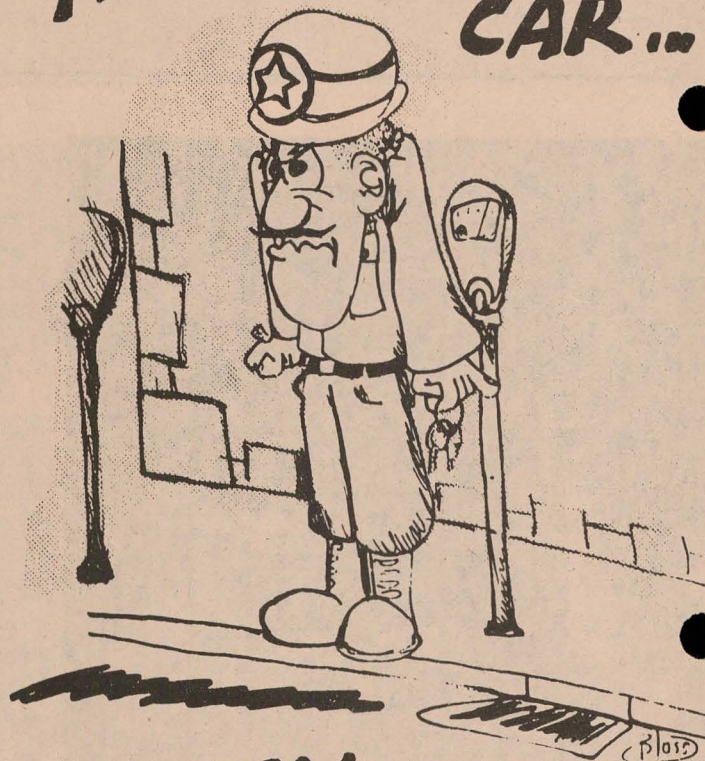
stolen, there are many things you can do to decrease the likelihood of becoming a victim. Locking your car and taking the keys is perhaps the most logical preventive step you can take. Professional car thieves tell us that the mushroom shaped lock nobs on most American made cars contribute to the ease with which cars are stolen. They should be replaced with tapered nobs which are available through the PX, auto specialty shops and major department stores.

If your car is a newer, more expensive model, you may wish to consider having a burglar alarm installed. Alarms protect not only the contents of the car, but items in the trunk and under the hood as well. Less expensive, but very effective at foiling a would-be-thief is the second ignition switch. A competent mechanic installs a hidden switch which cuts off the electricity to your main ignition switch. If the thief tries to hot wire your car, or replace your ignition switch with one of his own - a common tactic among car thieves - he will be unable to start the car. The thief cannot afford to spend time looking for the hidden switch, and he will usually go elsewhere.

Since professional thieves try to obliterate serial numbers in order to resell stolen autos, it is wise to personalize your car by such measures as dropping your business card down inside the doors on the driver and passenger side. Other methods include engraving your driver's license number in several spots on the metal portions of the car, or by putting spots of colored paint or nail polish on inconspicuous locations throughout the car. Personalizing your car will help police to identify it in case it is stolen.

Such measures cost little or no money, and the few minutes you invest to personalize and protect your car can be worth a great deal of time, effort and expense later.

## AN UNLOCKED CAR...



## A STEAL FOR ANYONE!



# Speaking out on travel

## Editor's Note:

Brigadier General Vincent M. Russo, Commander Western Area Military Traffic Management Center, at Oakland Army Base, CA. graciously granted this interview in July of this year. General Russo pointed out the importance of every individual, who has a PCS move, filling out the Carrier Survey Sheet provided by the Transportation Officer.

General Russo previously commanded the 4th Transportation Brigade in Oberursel, Germany.

**Q. You often hear horror stories about household goods shipments being destroyed in transit. What can an individual do to prevent such destruction?**

**A.** Unfortunately, there will always be horror stories. Some are due to a carrier's poor service; some are the unavoidable result of accidents or acts of God; and often those you hear are embellishments of the truth. The member can help himself tremendously by really listening to the household goods counselor, and by reading and knowing the DOD Pamphlet, "It's Your Move". He should ask questions and be satisfied before signing the counseling checklist. Both this pamphlet and the counselor provide the member with information about the responsibilities of each party to his move — the carrier and his agent, the Personal Property Shipping Office and of course the member himself. **Reporting on a bad move, of course, will not improve that move, but will contribute to improved service in the future.**

The DOD is vying with the civilian sector for household goods carriers' service and it seems as if they and we all want to move during the summer months. Where possible, moving at other than the peak summer months will improve the possibility of receiving satisfactory service.

**Q. Do you think an individual should raise the value of an item that has been damaged in order to get the original value repaid to him?**

**A.** No, I don't. Here we are talking about integrity and what use we have already received from an item. Most Claims Officers would be well aware that an item's value has been "raised." Absolute honesty with respect to damage claims is the only responsible way.

**Q. Why is it that so many individuals never bother to make claims on damaged household goods?**

**A.** Actually the number of claims increased from 5 to 6% (FY 76 to FY 77) while the total number of shipments went down — from 680,500 to 629,500 shipments. In recent years the Service Departments have generally tried to make it simpler to file and obtain satisfaction on claims. Personal Property Shipping Offices actively assist the member in filing a claim. However, the matter is entirely up to the individual member — only he or she can file a claim. Some service members undoubtedly conclude it is not worth the trouble to file a claim for minor loss or damage.

**Q. Does the military get any less service than a civilian working outside the government on his household goods move to a new location?**

**A.** Actually, the military receives better service from household goods carriers than the civilian sector. **We only deal with those carriers that meet our requirements and their agents are inspected frequently. Personal Property Shipping Offices are required to inspect 50% of all moves.** Each member has the opportunity to assist greatly in the evaluation of the carrier and only clean packing material may be used. The ICC has just ruled that the principle of reweighing shipments to verify the weight applies to the civilian sector. The military services have had such a program for years.

**Q. Since we are in a Volunteer Army, do you think that the Department of Defense should establish policies that would pay for full authorization of movement of household goods for all ranks? How about air fares for movement of dependents to overseas areas? Why? Why not?**

**A.** Although the DOD is studying full entitlement extension to all ranks, a decision has not been made. It would be inappropriate to conjecture on the impact or possible benefits of such a policy change. However, I would like to point out that our younger enlisted people should get treated in an adult and humane manner. If more benefits do come in the future (such as household goods movement for all ranks) then I would hope that the leaders in our military will counsel the younger men and women carefully, making them fully aware of the problems of living on the European economy and other foreign economies. I think it would be good to give many privileges to our younger enlisted, because it would keep many families together. I believe that a soldier functions better when he is happy and with his family; but I want to reemphasize the word 'caution.' If the individual is cautious and well informed then the proposed benefits could be advantageous.

**Q. How can an individual determine if the carrier is "ripping off" the government by overpacking and making the shipment weigh more in order to get more money for the move?**

**A.** Most carriers are honest, and there are valid reasons for some weight discrepancies. For example, a van on the same scale can have a variance of 500 to 1000 pounds depending upon the strength of the wind blowing against the van. Certainly, there are some "bad apples" intent on fraud. HERE is what the member can do and what we do to check weights. The member can request a reweigh at destination, and he may request that he be present during the reweighing. By regulation, the Government reweighs and/or witnesses the reweigh of those shipments where the service member's shipment exceeds his weight allowance when the Transportation Officer or the member requests a reweigh.

Over 10% of domestic and all shipments from overseas are reweighed as a routine matter. In packing and other accessorial charges, the member signs some very important forms from which the carrier receives payment. These forms, the DD-619 and DD-619-1, are for packing and other accessorial services. When the member signs these forms, he acts as an agent for the government and should be sure



Brigadier General Vincent M. Russo

they are filled out completely, that the word "none" is written where appropriate and that the type and number of boxes or services are accurate and correct. This insures the carrier is only paid for material and services actually furnished.

**Q. Many people complain about civilian contracted MAC flights to overseas areas. A complaint is that even though the space is on a civilian aircraft, no movies or music is provided. Could this policy ever change? Why? Why not?**

**A.** The Military Airlift Command at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois, is the agency responsible for chartering long international flights. Therefore, I would suggest that you contact them for comment on this question.

**Ed. Note—The Army is presently coordinating with the Air Force for movies on international flights and also for transportation of pets. When a final decision is made on these proposals, this paper hopes to bring you a full report.**

## Sports and recreation

The opening night of Flag Football season saw USAG edge the Corps of Engrs. 6-0. This game was a fine defensive battle, with some crucial penalties giving an advantage. Jones of USAG scored on a 25 yard run to pull out this victory.

In the second game the 864th Engrs. won by forfeit over the 163rd MP Co. Tuesday night had F.B.I. squeak by LAMC #2 by a 16-12 score. The second game saw LAIR roll by the 170th MP Co. 24-7. It's still early in the season to forecast who the power houses will be this season.

Games will be played on Monday, Tuesday and Thursday nights at 6 p.m. and 7:15 p.m. at the PX Field (next to the Library).

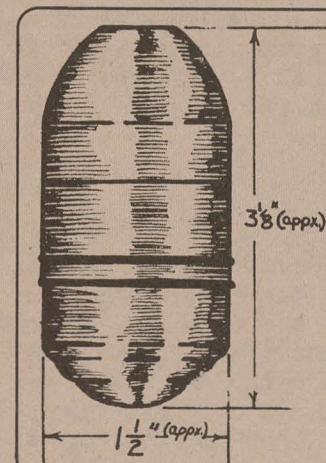
The annual bicycling championship will be held on September 6 at 12:45 p.m. A pre-race meeting will be held at 12:30 p.m. at the Fort Scott Gym - Bldg. 1226. The distance will be 6.12 miles over a lap course of 1.53 miles. Each rider will do 4 laps. Start and finish will be the intersection of Kobbe and Upton Ave. Any speed bicycle is allowed. The top two finishers will receive an award. Entry will be accepted up to the pre-race meeting. The course is challenging, so come on out and lay into those bicycle cranks and get a good workout. Call 4120/5032 for sign up information.

On Monday nights at 7:30 p.m., there is a Chess Class with a fine instructor for those of you who wish to improve your Chess game. Also on Monday, there is an Aerobic Conditioning Class between the hours of 6-7:30 p.m. The new class begins on September 11 and there is a charge of \$36.00 for the six weeks course. This class is open to all post personnel, military, dependent and civilian.

On Tuesday, the DISCO DANCE CLASS begins at 7:30 and is open to all military and dependents over the age of 19. Our instructor teaches all of the latest Disco steps. On Wednesday, from 9 p.m. to 12 midnight, our DISCO DANCE features DJ "Bobby G" and his fine selection of records and a light show. Give yourself a break and pop in at the Disco Dance.

On Thursday, Hank Nole will help you to sharpen up your Pool game. The class begins at 7 p.m. Friday night is a secret — so call us about it. On Monday, the Labor Day holiday, there will be a hamburger fry with all of the trimmings beginning at 7 p.m. For additional information about the Recreation Center activities, please call Ext. 2000/5420 daily AFTER 2 p.m.

## Duds kill



By the way...

One of the most dangerous duds around is the unexploded 40 millimeter grenade. You can tell from the life-size drawing on the left that the 40mm grenade is pretty small and therefore easily picked up. It's small, all right, but it still packs enough wallop to kill you at close range.

Since July 1, two fatalities and 12 injuries have resulted from ammunition explosions on Forces Command installations. All of the incidents were caused by the misuse or mishandling of unexploded ordnance. Duds in particular are extremely hazardous. Following the instructions of regulations or of the safety officer on the range can prevent much grief. Ordnance that is found off the range, regardless of its age, should not be handled. The military police and the Army's explosive ordnance detachments are trained and equipped to cope with these dangerous materials.



# A look at the new CG

Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester, new commanding General of Sixth U.S. Army, was honored in a ceremony on Wednesday at the main parade field. Lt. Gen. Forrester was assigned as CG on August 22.

General Forrester's stateside assignments include serving as Director of Plans, Programs (Modern Volunteer Army), and Budget, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Department of the Army; Executive Officer to the Vice Chief of Staff, U.S. Army, General Bruce Palmer, Jr.; and Military Assistant to the Honorable Stanley R. Resor, Secretary of the Army. During his military career, he has also served overseas assignments in Austria, Korea, France, the Dominican Republic, and Vietnam. General Forrester is an Army aviator and a master parachutist.

A 1948 graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, General Forrester is also a graduate of the Command and General Staff College, the British Staff College in Camberley, England, the Armed Forces Staff College, and the National War College.

His military decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, the Silver Star, the Legion of Merit with three Oak Leaf Clusters, the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters, the Air Medal with 18 Awards, the Vietnamese Gallantry Cross with 2 Palms and 1 Gold Star, and the Combat Infantry Badge with Star. General Forrester is a widower and has three children: Eugene, Pam and Elizabeth.

## NCOA: a soldier's voice

by R.E. Leach

The Non-Commissioned Officers Association (NCOA) is a nonprofit, patriotic, fraternal association with national headquarters in San Antonio, Texas, and an active legislative office in Washington, D.C. The NCOA was chartered to work for the well-being of military people and to further the fellowship of the NCO Corps of all branches of the military service.

The Golden Gate Chapter, NCOA, is headquartered on the Presidio of San Francisco. The Chapter has been inactive recently, but efforts are being coordinated to renew it as an active and viable organization here. Master Sergeant Fred A. Ferguson, is the point of contact. His office phone is 561-2736, and his home phone is 561-6252. All enlisted personnel in grades E-4 through E-9 of all branches of military are eligible to become members.

"Membership in the NCOA," explained MSG Ferguson, "provides us with a number of special benefits. Foremost, of course, is the effect of our spokesmen in D.C. who keep Congress reminded that we military people have special needs and requirements. All members receive the monthly NCOA newsletter and are eligible to take advantage of several money-saving programs offered to members. We hope to make the Golden Gate Chapter one of the best and most active chapters in the NCOA," Ferguson concluded.

The NCOA is one of the largest groups of servicemen with spokesmen at the seat of government. Presently, membership is more than 150,000, and the impact of the NCOA spokesmen in Washington is increasing steadily. For example, it was the NCOA working with other fraternal service organizations that convinced Congress to restore funding for military commissaries.

# News Break

## Rape Prevention Seminar

A Rape Prevention Seminar will be held at the Post Theater on September 12.

The program will start at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. A variety of experts in the field of rape prevention and rape investigation will be on hand to answer questions and to discuss various aspects of rape. The program will attempt to dispell some of the myths surrounding rape, and to give the audience an understanding of what to expect if a rape is reported to the police, or if the victim seeks medical treatment after a sexual assault.

The program will be opened by Dr. Lynn Harris, a clinical psychologist who will talk about the psychological impact of rape on the victim. Then Special Agent Medrano of the CID will discuss investigative methods on the Presidio. A physician from Letterman Hospital will follow with a description of the medical treatment given to rape victims and the final panelist, an Officer from the San Francisco Police Department, will discuss rape trends in the Bay Area and a variety of prevention techniques.

Following the speakers, there will be a question and answer period.

For additional information, please contact SSgt. Delver at 5011.

## Combined Federal Campaign

With this year's goal set at \$1.6 million for the five-county Bay Area, the 1978 combined Federal Campaign (CFC) will kick-off its fund drive with an 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. luncheon at the Officers' Club here.

Contributions realized by the CFC are divided between the United Way, the National Health Agencies and the International Service Agencies and distributed through them to such agencies as The American Cancer Society, The American Red Cross, the Salvation Army, USO and more than 250 other non-profit organizations.

For more information concerning CFC, contact your office representative.

## USO news

The San Francisco USO at O'Farrell and Taylor Streets downtown will hold a Chili Fest Labor Day weekend. The authentic homemade Texas chili will go at \$1 a plate on Sunday from 2 to 6 p.m. and Monday from noon to 7 p.m. The USO's junior volunteers will bake fresh corn bread to go along with it. So if it's a Texas-style Labor Day you're homesick for, the USO's the place to find it.

## Correction!

The Federal Women's Program man-of-the-year selectee, Colonel John R. Meese, was incorrectly cited as "Sixth Army DCS Resource Management" in last week's paper. His correct title is DCS for Training. Sorry about that.

The Star-Presidian staff extends sincere apologies to the men of D Co. 864th Engineers. The **engineers ??** was a notation by the typesetter in case we wanted to substitute the word engineers for soldiers. We goofed when we didn't edit it out of the copy. Sorry, fellas.

## Girl Scouts

Registration for Girl Scouts will be Friday, September 8, at 7 p.m. at the Presidio Scout House, Bldg. 566 (across from the Thrift Shop). All girls in grades 1-12 are eligible to join this fine program. Leaders, assistant leaders, and other adult volunteers are needed to help run this program. For more information, please call Ginger Daniels, 561-3866.

## Promotion obligation

Soldiers promoted to E-7, 8 or 9 have a two-year service obligation before voluntary retirement, DA personnel officials said last week.

Reenlistment or extension is not a precondition for accepting a top three stripe, they added, but these soldiers will not be allowed to retire until they have served at least two years in grade.

Officials, responding to field questions, say that new senior NCOs may reenlist or extend only when within 90 days of their normal ETS. (ARNEWS)

## School bus program

The Presidio will operate a dependent school bus program this year, contrary to previous announcements. Continuation of the program was made possible by switching personnel and funds from other headquarters agencies to the bus program. Starting on Tuesday, September 5, military transportation will be provided to the following public or private schools: Washington High, St. Monica, St. Brigid, St. Vincent de Paul, Star of the Sea, Kittredge, Zion Lutheran, Convent of the Sacred Heart, and Stuart Hall. Bus schedules may be adjusted based on individual requests for transportation.

The San Francisco Unified School District will provide buses for students in kindergarten through fifth grade at the city's public schools. See the attached flyers (in newspapers delivered to quarters only) for both tentative bus schedules. Flyers are also available at the Army Community Service office in Building 214. For further information about the military bus schedule, call the Transportation Branch at ext. 4807/3533/2505.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday**, Sept. 1, Rooster (PG), 7 p.m.

**Saturday**, Sept. 2, Sinbad and the Eye of the Tiger (G), 2 p.m.

**Saturday**, Sept. 2, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.

**Sunday**, Sept. 3, The End (R), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, Sept. 4, The End (R), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, Sept. 5, The Tempter (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, Sept. 6, High Ballin' (PG), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, Sept. 7, High Ballin' (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday**, Sept. 1, Starship Invasions (PG), 7 p.m.

**Monday**, Sept. 4, F.I.S.T. (PG), 7 p.m.

**Tuesday**, Sept. 5, Equus (R), 7 p.m.

**Wednesday**, Sept. 6, The Greek Tycoon (R), 7 p.m.

**Thursday**, Sept. 7, The World's Greatest Lover (PG), 7 p.m.

**EQUUS (R)** Jenny Agutter entices disturbed Peter Firth into a disastrous liaison. To her it is nothing more than an interlude, but to him it was an act that triggered a terrible crime. Richard Burton is the sensitive child psychiatrist who tries to help Firth.

### THE GREEK TYCOON

**(R)** This love story is about Theo Tomasis (Anthony Quinn), the richest and most flamboyant shipping magnate, and Liz Cassidy (Jacqueline Bisset) widow of a President of the U.S. The story unfolds fortunes and misfortunes of the jet set, Tomasis' competitive brother, his ill-fated son, his tragic wife and his volatile actress-mistress.

**F.I.S.T. (PG)** In 1937 Sylvester Stallone and a friend are hired as organizers for the local F.I.S.T. (Federation of Interstate Truckers). A local hood aids the union men in a fight with the company owner. Stallone rises through the ranks to president of the powerful union. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.





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## Semana Herencia Hispanica

President Jimmy Carter said recently, "The Hispanic heritage of over 16 million Americans representing a broad diversity of cultures, has enriched our Nation by contributing to the advancement of art and science and by affirming the importance of family bonds and community spirit."

These contributions are recognized each year during National Hispanic Heritage Week, observed during 1978 on Sept. 10-16.

The Hispanic-American influence in the American southwest goes back a century before Europeans landed on the Atlantic coast. Moreover, in a few years the 500th anniversary of the 1492 landing of Columbus in the New World will be celebrated, marking the beginning of Spanish influence in this hemisphere.

There is a growing number of military and other professional people among Spanish-speaking Americans, and thousands of Hispanic-American laborers continue their contributions as members of the Nation's workforce.

Sen. Daniel P. Moynihan in his book, *Beyond the Melting Pot*, the story of the ethnics that make up the population of New York City, writes: "The Waldorf-Astoria and certain branches of the clothing industry, we are told, would not be able to manage without Puerto Rican labor."

Significant contributions made to this Nation by the Hispanic-Americans have been in the areas of art and language. This has been particularly so in the Southwest where large portions of Mexico, including its people and culture, were annexed by the United States. There, persons of Spanish and Indian background have lived together for almost five centuries and their art is a beautiful blending of the best of the two worlds. In many parts of the United States, Spanish-speaking Americans, proud of their heritage, organize art shows and book fairs, sponsor young artists, and publish newspapers and magazines.

While America once considered itself the Melting Pot of the world in which the various nationalities lost their own peculiar characteristics, the United States now recognizes and ap-



preciates the value and contributions of its various ethnic groups. President Carter said of the Hispanic-Americans, "Today Americans have come to recognize the important role of the Hispanic community ... in the life and work of the United States."

by Frank Noto

Presidente Jimmy Carter ha dicho: "La herencia hispanica de mas que 16 millones de personas en nuestra pais, representado por una gran diversidad de culturas, ha enriquecido nuestra nacion, contribuyendo al progreso de arte y sciencia, y por afirmar la importancia do los lazos de familia y el espiritu de comunidad.

Estas contribuciones estan reconocidos cada ano durante la semana nacional de herencia hispanica, lo cual es observado este ano desde 10 a 16 de Setiembre.

La influencia hispanica en el sudoeste de los Estados Unidos empezo mas que un siglo antes de la llegada de los europeos a nuestra costa atlantica. Ademas, en unos pocos anos celebramos el aniversario numero 500 de la visita del Colon al "mundo nuevo," lo cual es, el comienzo de la influencia hispanica en nuestra hemisferio.

El numero de militares y otros profesionales entre los norteamericanos de habla espanol crece cada ano, y ellos y otros en el mundo de trabajo ayuden en la obra de la nacion.

Latinos hah hecho contribuciones significas alos Estados Unidos en las disciplinas de lenguaje y arte. En los estados de nuestra pais donde gente de linaje hispanico y indio han vivido juntos casi cinco siglos, se ve que su arte es una mezcla hermosa de lo mejor de dos mundos. En muchos regiones, gente de habla espanol, orgullosa de su pasado, publican revistas y diarios, y organizan exhibiciones de arte y mercados de libros, y apoyan artistas.

Mientras los Estados Unidos se consideraban como el pais donde gente de todas las nacionalidades perdieron sus caracteristicas particulares en favor de hacerse "Americanos," ahora hemos empezados a reconocer y apreciar los cualidades y donos de las diferentes nacionalidades.

Como dice President Carter: "Hoy hemos reconocidos el papel importante de la comunidad hispanica ... en la vida y obra de los Estados Unidos."

## Discrimination against retirees???

"I knew a retired officer who applied for a job and, before his salary was even brought up, they asked him how much he was getting in retirement," an Army officer remarked.

Is the retired soldier discriminated against because he earns a pension? Is his civilian job income less than he's expected to earn?

Whether or not discrimination is the cause, the soldier retiree does earn less than his civilian peers who have a 20-year headstart in private employment. That's according to a DOD report based on a 1977 survey of retirees. The survey, published last spring, says that military retirees earn an average of \$4,000 less annually than civilians with similar education and in the same age groups.

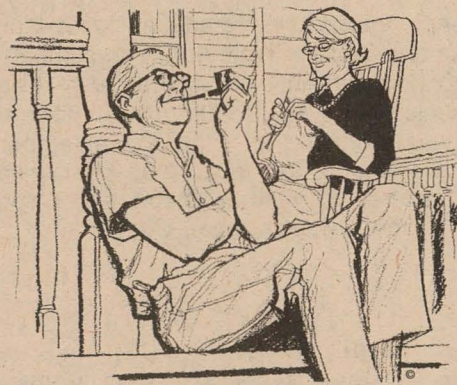
Retired military officers, the report says, earned an average of \$20,169 in their first full-time civilian job after retirement (not including military pensions) during 1976. Civilians with four years of college. The report says, earned an average of \$23,701 during the same year.

Retired enlisted members (EM) earned an average of \$10,112 in their first full-time civilian job after retirement (not including military pensions) during 1976. Civilians with high school diplomas earned an average of \$14,905 during the same year, according to the report.

The age of officers surveyed ranged from 40-49 and from 35-44 for EM, the same ages as civilians used in the comparison. Although officers earned an average of 15 percent less than similarly-grouped civilians and EM earned 32 percent less, the trend is improving for officers and is worsening for EM, the report shows.

In 1970, officers earned 21.5 percent less and EM earned only 12 percent less than their civilian counterparts, according to report tables comparing 1970 incomes.

Ten percent of all retirees begin their civilian careers in the Federal Civil Service. But federal jobs still pay the retiree less than his value, the report says. The average officer, a Lieutenant Colonel, is equated to a GS-14 but begins his second career as a GS-10. Likewise, the E-7 retiree is equated with a GS-6 but begins his second career as a GS-4.



Income during 1976 for all retirees employed full-time, including pensions, the report says, averaged \$20,687 for EM and \$30,697 for officers.

DOD military retirees working full-time account for 56 percent of officers and 70 percent of EM, the report reveals. Only 16 percent of EM are fully retired while 31 percent of the officers are fully retired. Six percent of the officers were unemployed compared to nine percent of the EM. The remainder are semi-retired.

Many retirees are not working in jobs related to their military experience, the report says. Most, 58 percent, say their present jobs relate very little or not at all to their military specialties. Of that number, 44 percent said not at all. Another 42 percent said their present jobs relate very much or somewhat to their military specialties. (Twenty percent of these said somewhat, while 22 percent said very much.)

Forty-seven percent of retired officers work in professional and technical jobs. Of the total, 27 percent work as managers and administrators and 10 percent are employed in sales.

Similarly, 39 percent of reitred EM work in professional and technical jobs, 13 percent as administrators and managers, 11 percent at crafts and associated work and six percent in sales.

Reasons that retired officers gave for leaving the service, in order of the five most often expressed, were: to assume a second career, disability, poor promotion possibilities, failure to get promoted and the possibility of an undesirable assignment. Reasons given by retired EM were a second career, involuntary separation, disability, mandatory time in grade requirements and failure to get promoted.

The "1977 DOD Military Retiree Survey Preliminary Report," was prepared by the Directorate of Compensation, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Personnel Policy and the Assistant Secretary of Defense (Manpower, Reserve Affairs and Logistics), Washington, D.C. 20310. (ARNEWS)



# Attention E-6s and E-7s

Due to a critical shortage of enlisted club managers, the Army is encouraging soldiers in grades E6 and E7 who are in overstrength MOS to volunteer for the Club Management Career and Development Program.

To be considered for entry into the Enlisted Club Management Career and Development Program, soldiers must not have reached 16 years time in service and should have some qualifications in accounting, personnel administration or management, and skills or potential to supervise functions in the areas of food service, bar management, and entertainment scheduling.

General duties of enlisted club managers include management of an NCO branch club or service as an assistant manager of an officers' or NCO branch club. These duties incorporate the supervision of operations delegated by the installation club manager and management of the club's funds, personnel, and property. When circumstances dictate, enlisted club managers also may serve as managers of installation/area clubs.

Soldiers selected for the Club Management Career and Development Program receive seven weeks of intensive instruction at the US Army Institute of Administration at Ft. Benjamin Harrison, IN. Upon course completion, they are awarded primary MOS OQJ, Club Manager, and are assigned to clubs worldwide. Soldiers interested in applying for the program should refer to chapter 11, section XI, of AR 614-200 and forward their applications through installation/division channels to Commander, MILPERCEN; ATTN: DAPC-EPM-A; 2461 Eisenhower Avenue; Alexandria, VA 22331.

Selection for club management duties affords soldiers the opportunity to enhance their careers by serving in a management PMOS which is in a shortage status Army-wide. Selected soldiers' former PMOS will be redesignated as secondary or additional, thus enabling them to serve in those MOS at a later date

# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk!

The campaign for fuller coverage in Troop Talk is coming along well. I have received word from 6th Army Band, LAIR, and LAMC that input is forthcoming for this column.

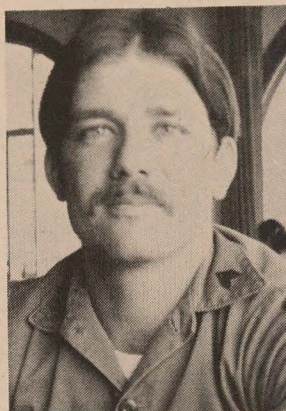
We have a lot of new Directors at HQ, PSF. **Colonel Desmond Dewey** is the new Director of Personnel and Community Activities. **Col. Dewey** comes to us from Readiness Group, Ft. Snelling, Minnesota. **Colonel Robert Roddy** is the new Director of Industrial Operations. **Col. Roddy** comes to us from DA, IG, Wash. D.C. The new Director of Plans Training and Security is **Lt. Col. William Lam**. **Lt. Col. Lam** is the former TRADOC Liaison Officer for USAREUR and 7th Army Europe at Heidelberg, Germany. The new Director for Facilities Engineering is **Lt. Col. Don Svendsen**. **Lt. Col. Svendsen** is formerly of the Office of the Chief of Engineers, Wash. D.C. The new XO for LAMC is **Colonel J. Edward Brannock**. **Col. Brannock** is formerly of MEDDAC, Ft. Bragg, N.C. Welcome to the Presidio!!

The 163rd MP Co. welcomes the arrival of **James Dorsey** and **Anthony Brown**, both Sp4s and both from Germany. Farewells were made to **Sp4 Robert Juilifs** and **Sp4 Mark McManus**, who

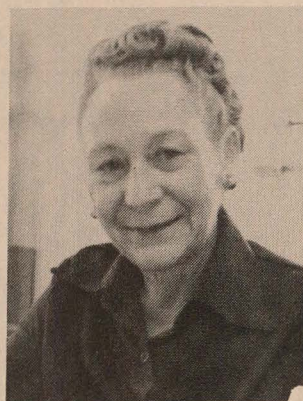
## Ramblin' Sam



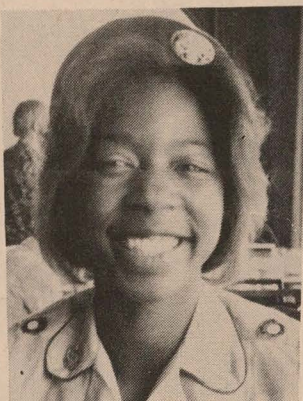
**Do you feel religious education is essential for a child in today's society?**



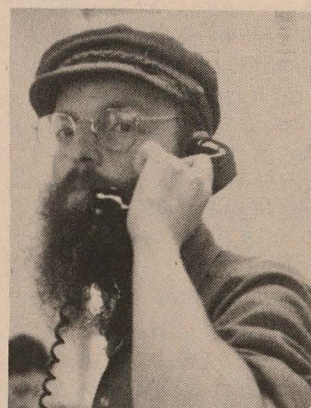
**Sgt. John Meurer, Telephone Installer, USACC Agency** — "I think there is a need for a program, but I don't think it is essential. People can send their children if they want, but I don't think a child will be affected that much by a religious education program."



**Mrs. Eileen Rice, Voucher Examiner, Finance and Accounting** — "I certainly do - more so than any time in our past, because our outreach is so great. Young people are so much more aware today and subjected to so much. I feel a child should at least have exposure to religion and then the child will be able to make his or her own judgment about accepting or rejecting the parents belief."



**Sp4 Cassandra Camery, Presidio Directory Clerk, USACC Agency** — "I would like my children to know about God, but I don't think a child should be forced into this knowledge."



**Gershon Gevirtz, Voucher Examiner, Finance and Accounting** — "Absolutely, because religion gives one an identity and therefore helps counteract the homogenization of the forces of American society."

departed for Germany. **Sgt. Gary Molton** and **SFC Curtis Bentley** were awarded ARCOMs for their participation in the 4th of July activities. The company heartily welcomes the arrival of the new

company commander, **Capt. William Taylor**. **Capt. Taylor** assumed the command from **Lt. Wayne Emard**.

**USAG** reports the promotions to Sp4 of **Randy Altena** and **Sandra Tonevich**. The company will be having their unit picnic on September 14. Featured at the picnic will be a DJed Disco! **Sp5 Jeremiah Toller** was promoted to SSgt. on September 1. The Army Commendation medal has been awarded to **Sp4 Heather Ann-Bitter Dizon** and **Capt. Frank Noto** for meritorious service. Congrats!

The 170th MP Co. reports the following promos: **Camile Barrone** to PFC, **William Wentland** to Sp4, **Eugene Eller** to Sp4, **Earl Morgan** to PFC, and **Martin Argo** to Sp4. Congrats to all of you! **Capt. Philip H. Lynch** will be leaving the 170th MP Co. and going to S-3 of the 504th MP Bn. **Capt. Howard Carey** will become the new commander of the 170th on September 13. The unit wishes good luck to **Capt. Lynch** and welcomes **Capt. Carey** as the new company commander.

**HHD, 504th MP Bn.** sends congrats to **Sgt. Steven Bartley** for the ARCOM he received for winning the title of "Soldier of the Year." That wraps it up for another week.

**P.S. Community News** — The NCO/EM Wives Club will have their monthly meeting at 7:30 p.m. on September 11. The club will meet at the Recreation Center and the highlight of the evening will be a fashion show. Everyone is welcome.

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# PSF and HAFB Religion classes

by Ted Elisee

September is the month when children of all ages return to thoughts of the classroom and educational projects.

September is also the month when the Presidio and the Hamilton AFB community unites in a movement towards making youth aware of the existence of God and the value of manifesting a belief in a God.

And so, the Presidio Protestant community kicks off its Sunday School Program on September 10, at the Religious Activities Center at 9 a.m. Classes will be provided for 2 year olds on up to adulthood. Says Reverend Robert Gilbert, Director of the Religious Activities Center, "Children are the key to the future. The good from a Christian education is it equips them with a value system that will enable them to survive in a responsible way in the future." For further information about the Protestant program, contact Rev. Gilbert at ext. 3533.

The Catholic Presidio Community, under the direction of Sister Eileen Dunn, will provide religious instruction for Catholic children from kindergarten to 8th grade. The classes will be held every Saturday beginning September 16, at 9 a.m., in the Religious Activities Center.

Says Sister Eileen, Instructions in preparation for Holy Communion, Reconciliation and Confirmation will be given. Although these classes are primarily for those children who are in Public School, all children are most welcome. We hope to have a van again this year to transport the children from the Ft. Baker-Barry areas.

The theme for this year's program is an awareness one, added Sister. We hope to make the children aware of the less fortunate children in the world.

For further information about the Catholic program on the Presidio, contact Sister Eileen Dunn at 5513.

The Presidio Jewish Community, headed by Rabbi William Dalin, will provide Hebrew lessons, Bar Mitzvah, Bas Mitzvah preparation and general information on Judaism upon request. For further information, contact Rabbi Dalin at 564-2774.

The Hamilton AFB, Catholic community will provide religious education classes weekly. The schedule is a varied one. All grades will meet at different times. The theme for this year's program is "service." For further information, contact Anne Marie Elisee at 883-5138.



**Sister Eileen Dunn leads some happy children out of the Religious Activity Center after a learning session.**

The Hamilton AFB, Protestant Community offers classes for pre-school to the eighth grade and also adult education classes. The classes will meet at the Day Care Center on Sunday (beginning September 10 at 9 a.m. Chaplain Blakested, head of the program, says, "The goal of the program is a good solid Christian education."

For further information, contact Chaplain Gary Blakested, Hamilton AFB Chapel, at 883-2421.

## Forest Management



**A member of D Co., 864th Engineers, operating a 2-1/2 cubic yard scoop, is working in conjunction with the Directorate of Facilities Engineers in clearing dead and diseased trees from the area near the 9th fairway on the Presidio Golf Course. Once this growth has been cleared away, the Facilities Engineers (DFE) will replant new trees in this and other areas to be cleared around the post as part of the Presidio's five year Forest Management Plan. (photo by Lynn Ligon)**

## Crime Scene

In recent years, there has been an increase in both the incidence and severity of juvenile delinquent behavior.

Once source has estimated that juveniles are responsible for almost one half of all major crimes committed in the USA. During the period 1960-74 there was a 216 percent increase in juvenile arrests for such violent crimes as rape, murder, and armed robbery. The increase in juvenile offenses can partly be attributed to the increase in the juvenile population, but even taking that into account, the statistics are alarming.

Teenage suicides in the USA have tripled in the last decade to an estimated 30 a day and more than half the patients in psychiatric hospitals are less than 21 years of age.

Serious violent juvenile delinquency has not been the norm, here at Presidio, among our dependent children. The guide lines Military Police work under come directly from the Installation Commander. Therefore, juvenile offenders may be apprehended using normal procedures as a result of an investigation, complaint or routine patrol.

However, because of their lack of maturity and inability to fully realize the potential consequences of their actions, juvenile offenders require careful handling to insure that initial contact with the Criminal Justice System does not affect future attitudes and behavior. Not only the welfare of the individual juvenile offender must be considered, but the welfare of the community must also be taken into consideration.

The Presidio Juvenile Officer can be contacted at 4217/4721 to answer questions and render assistance.

## Sports and recreation

The United States Armed Forces Basketball team, coached by Presidio's **Hal Fischer**, won the XXV CISM Basketball Championship with a 87-72 victory over a strong Greek team in Damascus, Syria.

Fourteen nations participated in the tournament with Red China making their first appearance in the CISM Championship. While advancing to the show down with the Greek team, the Armed Forces team defeated West Germany 116-72, France 111-49, Belgium 99-70, Iran 125-78, Italy 101-89 and Red China 121-94.

**Coach Fischer** stated that the team played extremely well against the Red Chinese, leading at one time by 41 points, with brilliant outside shooting against a tight Chinese zone defense. Red China amazed the crowd with their fine shooting ability and the size of their centers — 7 foot five inches, 380 lbs, and 7 foot three inches, 310 lbs.

Along with Coach Fischer on the trip were Presidio athletes **Wilbert Logan, Pierre Russell** and **Alford Forney**.

**New Aerobic Conditioning Class** - This class will start on Monday night, September 11 at 6 p.m. The class will consist of dance, calisthenics, and yoga.

**Chess Class** - Stay out of checkmate and learn the right moves to better your game on Mondays at 7:30 p.m.

**Pool Class** - Let our pro pool instructor sharpen up your game of pool on any Thursday night at 7 p.m.

**Belly Dancing Classes** - Learn the art of belly dancing and get in shape at the same time on Tuesday nights at 7 p.m.

**U.S. Coast Guard Boating Skills and Steamship Class** - Learn the basic skills of boating on Monday nights at 8 p.m. in the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135. For more information, call ext. 5420 after 2 p.m. daily.



# News Break

## Rape Prevention Seminar

A Rape Prevention Seminar will be held at the Post Theater on September 12.

The program will start at 1 p.m. and is open to the public. A variety of experts in the field of rape prevention and rape investigation will be on hand to answer questions and to discuss various aspects of rape. The program will attempt to dispell some of the myths surrounding rape, and to give the audience an understanding of what to expect if a rape is reported to the police, or if the victim seeks medical treatment after a sexual assault.

The program will be opened by Dr. Lynn Harris, a clinical psychologist who will talk about the psychological impact of rape on the victim. Then Special Agent Medrano of the CID will discuss investigative methods on the Presidio. A physician from Letterman Hospital will follow with a description of the medical treatment given to rape victims and the final panelist, an Officer from the San Francisco Police Department, will discuss rape trends in the Bay Area and a variety of prevention techniques.

Following the speakers, there will be a question and answer period.

For additional information, please contact SSgt. Delver at 5011.

## PSF Golf Tourney

The Fourth Annual PSF Civilian Employees Golf Tournament has been rescheduled to September 21. Tee off time is 8 a.m.

The Calloway System of handicapping will be used. However, handicaps or average scores should be submitted with entry fee registration in order to keep foursome play at comparable skill level. If desired and scheduled ahead of time, foursomes will be registered regardless of individual handicaps.

The tournament entry fee will be \$15.00, which will include the green fee and prize money. Entry fee for members of Presidio Golf Course will be \$7.00 (no green fee charge). Golf carts will be available at additional cost. Carts should be reserved ahead of starting times. A complimentary golf ball will be given each entrant.

Tournament prizes will be awarded for low medal score, hole-in-one (closest to hole) and for first, second, third and fourth-prize, Calloway System.

Advance sign up is mandatory, unless other arrangements are made with the sign-up committee. Registration cut-off is September 19.

For further information and registration, please call Mac Roberts or John Sergeant, ext. 2255 or Art Akina, ext. 2405.

## Cub Scouts

Presidio sponsored Cub Scout Pack #77 has openings available for boys between the ages of eight and eleven. Also, there is a definite need for parent participation in this year's program. There are a number of adult leadership positions which must be filled in order to insure that the pack is successful. All interested boys and parents or adult volunteers can contact either Capt. John Szurek, ext. 5541, or SFC Sterne Roufa, ext. 4602.

## Square Dance club

The South San Francisco 49ers Square Dance Club, (sponsored by the So. SF park & rec) invites all Presidio active duty, retired and civilian members to join us on Tuesday nights for our beginners square dance class. Learn this unique American dance with our caller/instructor, Bill Castner, a nationally known caller and recording artist.

Classes will be held at Foxridge School, 2525 Wexford Drive in South SF, (just off Westborough).

Registration will be at 7:30 - 8 p.m. on Tuesday, September 19 and September 26, and closes on October 3. Class size must be limited, so grab your wife, husband, date or whatever and come on down. For any additional information, call 992-2280, 755-8545, or 756-8130.

## PSF voters campaign

On November 7, Americans will go to the polls to elect United States and State Senators, Representatives and many other state and local officials.

More than one million Army voters - soldiers and their dependents - will be eligible to cast ballots in this election. Most of these Army voters will be away from their home voting districts, but are guaranteed the right and opportunity to participate through the absentee voting process.

All soldiers and dependents who wish to vote in the general election are encouraged to contact their voting officer for help in obtaining an absentee ballot.

The campaign for registration on the Presidio is to be held on Monday, September 11. Two voter registration points have been established for voters convenience. Lt. Benjamin Agustin, XO for USAG, will be on hand at HQ Company, USAG, (front porch) from 7:15 a.m. to 4 p.m. to register all interested voters. Also, Capt. Ercell Grimes, Adj. HQ 504th MP Bn. will be registering interested voters in his office during the same period.

Voting is your right - exercise it.

## Education assistance

Army Emergency Relief (AER) has an educational assistance program for dependent children of Army members — active, retired and deceased — to pursue postsecondary vocational or undergraduate studies?

AER educational assistance includes loans and/or scholarships. The funds for this program are limited and applications are competitively evaluated. Need is the primary criterion for a scholarship and also for a loan. In all cases the individual's academic achievements and ability and personal accomplishments are considered.

If your dependent son or daughter will be attending college or a post-secondary vocational school in September 1979 and needs financial assistance, you should look into AER's program now. Individuals who are receiving AER educational assistance for the current school year are reminded they must apply again for continued assistance in the next school year. To be considered for AER educational assistance, applications must be completed, with required documentation, to reach Headquarters AER not later than March 1 1979.

You can obtain detailed information and an application form by contacting: a) Your AER Officer, bldg. 214, PSF, or b) Any AER Section, located on most Army installations, or c) Headquarters AER, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. 20314.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Sept. 8, Cats From Outer Space (G), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9, Cats From Outer Space (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 9, Cats From Outer Space (G), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 10, The SWARM (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 11, The SWARM (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, The SWARM (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, Pretty Baby (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 14, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Sept. 8, Rooster (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 11, The End (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 12, The Tempter (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 13, High Ballin (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 14, The Working Girl (R), 7 p.m.



# PSF Spotlight



Mrs. Luba Albert

For thirty years, Mrs. Luba Albert, Ch, Personnel Management Branch, Transportation Division, has worked in the field of Transportation with civil service.

Recently, Mrs. Albert was officially recognized for notable efforts in her work, by being chosen to represent FORSCOM in the 1978 Military Traffic Management Command Traffic Management Award.

Mrs. Albert is directly responsible for the management and control of passenger transportation support to multiple General Officer Commands, elements of FORSCOM and TRADOC, HQ Western Region Recruiting Command, Health Services Command, HQ Readiness Region IX and for movement of unaccompanied dependents.

Mrs. Albert who lives in Terra Linda, has worked on Oakland Army Base, Ft. Mason and the Presidio.

Congratulations Luba, for a job well done!



Mrs. Violet K. Sheridan

The Star Presidian Staff bids a sad farewell to Mrs. Violet K. Sheridan today. Vi has been the Command Information Officer for the Public Affairs Office for four years. Previously, she worked in Washington D.C. and Ft. MacArthur, CA.

Mrs. Sheridan has worked for civil service for approximately thirty years and will retire to Los Angeles, where she was once cited by Mayor Sam Yorty for service to the community.

The Star Presidian Staff and the Public Affairs Office will miss her guidance and gentle leadership.

Good luck, Vi! We'll miss you.



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## Convenience Marriages, not always the answer

by Bob Ray, staff writer for the Suttgart Citizen

"I'm sorry, but my hands are tied by policies and regulations that do not permit me to authorize you to move off post," the Company Commander explained.

"But, sir," the specialist pleads, "I'm 25-years-old. I'm an E-5 and haven't lived in the barracks since basic and AIT. I'm not used to sharing a room with another guy, to the numerous stereos blaring, and to other guys stumbling down the halls drunk at all hours. It isn't easy to have to clean community showers and latrines when others do not have good personal hygiene standards."

"And, as if that isn't bad enough, sir, at 25 I still have no privacy. I have people coming into my room to make sure it is tidy, to make sure it has been swept, dusted, mopped, and waxed. And even worse, they check to make sure I keep my drawers and wall locker neat," the specialist complained with fervor.

The commander, though sympathetic, stated, "Your complaint is not a new one, you know. If only I had a dime for each time I have heard it. But policies are policies. I'm sorry." He jokingly added in parting, "You could always get married. I'm sure that would solve all your problems."

But the seed planted in jest began to grow.

After looking around the specialist found another service member in the same plight and state of mind — and another contract marriage between soldiers searching for a way to "beat the system" was struck.

Capt. Roger Hughes, Senior Legal Assistance Officer for the VII Corps, said that before soldiers

get into this situation they should consult a legal advisor.

"Although we cannot do court work or represent someone in a hearing, we are attorneys and we can and do explain the legal ramifications involved. We are not personal advisors and cannot make a decision for those seeking legal assistance, but after we spell out the possibilities, the two desiring the marriage of convenience will be in a better position to weigh the facts and decide if moving out of the barracks and getting the extra living allowance is worth the risks they may be taking."

As he sees it, the main problems in this type of marriage which has been becoming more popular among the young troops in the past few years are, "There is no quick way to get out of the marriage, the costs of divorce can be tremendously high — especially overseas, a soldier can still wind up responsible for support, and problems can arise over division of property."

First, let's look at the reason commanders cannot let any troop wishing to leave the barracks for off-post dwellings do so with the command blessings and living allowance. According to Army Regulation 210-16, "The installation commander will maintain maximum occupancy of all adequate bachelor quarters by authorized personnel."

And even if you are able to obtain permission to live off post during a time when the barracks are full, the regulation states, "When adequate bachelor quarters become available, the installation commander will withdraw a previously issued statement of non-availability of quarters and require a member to live on post in accordance with

assignment priorities."

In order to get around this policy, the two service members go on with their nuptial arrangements, spelling out all property, pay and living arrangements in a contract which they duly sign and have notarized.

This paper may make them feel safe, but according to Hughes, even this can be a pitfall. "Notorization of the document does not make it any more effective or legally binding. It just depends on the laws regarding divorce and separations in the state where they are sought. Notorizing the document does not make it legal, it merely attests to the fact that the document was actually signed by the parties concerned."

Anyway, the marriage takes place and the newlyweds often maintain separate living quarters, life styles, and friends — and life goes on the same as before but now offpost with quarters allowances.

One specialist preparing the paperwork for such a marriage said, "Neither of us wants to give up any privacy or independence and living together just naturally imposes certain restrictions. That is what we want to get away from, so living together is not the answer."

So, the marriage is completed and everything seems fine — until one or both parties decide that it is time to end the marriage agreement. Hughes explained that they can take a couple of routes.

"In many states it is quite possible that a marriage such as the one in question could be annulled. As to whether or not the contract is binding ... it is up to each state to decide if it will recognize such a document as legally binding."

Hughes explained that the other road to take is divorce. "On this, the laws differ from state to state. We have fault and no-fault states. In the fault states the major problems divorces can be granted for are infidelity, abandonment or impotency. In the no-fault states marital breakdowns can be cited as the reason for pursuing a divorce. In this case the parties state that marital relations have ceased to exist and that they have no expectations of resolve."

"No matter which kind of state it is, though, the courts will allow contest of the grounds or the settlement — and if one party decides not to play ball, obtaining a divorce could be a real fight that could last for some time and cost tremendously," the Legal Assistance Officer stated.

"There are so many possibilities of problems arising. For example, say one soldier gets out of the service, the remaining service member is technically responsible for support under the provisions of 42 U.S.C.A. 460-462. The marriage may also entitle the spouse to a claim on a portion of retirement pensions."

Words of caution: "Although the couple may not consider themselves really married, they do, in fact, incur all the requirements of support duties and responsibilities any other married couple would have. As I said earlier, there is no quick, cheap way out, and there is always the possibility that one party can decide to back out of the deal and play the support-property division games."

Hughes explained that, "Marriages of convenience must be considered on an individual basis after researching all possible legal ramifications and pitfalls. After obtaining this information the couple must decide 'Is it really worth it?'"

"Service persons who enter into such marriages could be setting themselves up for problems with the finance office," said Hughes. He explained that if the parties to the marriage have no true intent to be married, the marriage may be a sham, or void and could be annulled. Once married, one of the soldiers is entitled to a BAQ at a with-dependents rate. However, Federal law and the DoD pay manual authorize that rate for only true marriages, not sham ones. Under these circumstances the service person could be setting him or herself up for an action by finance to recoup BAQ payments, or worse, charges of defrauding the government."

The Captain closed by urging anyone considering entering such a proposition to contact their local legal assistance officer before any commitment is made. "It just may save them a lot of headaches and heartaches in the future."

Legal Assistance at the Presidio can be reached by dialing extension 2925. (ARNews)



# News Break

## USO downtown

The San Francisco USO is ready to help with advice on local employment opportunities, and in getting up a resume to enhance your image in the eyes of possible future employers. Employment counseling is one of the many services offered by the USO in addition to the well known recreational opportunities for service personnel and dependents.

Now is your chance to learn to play the piano for free. An instructor will be on hand at San Francisco USO on Tuesdays and Thursdays to teach basic keyboard and sight reading to interested service personnel and dependents. Time available for lessons from 2 to 7 p.m. Drop in, or call 776-3100 for further particulars.

Other innovations at San Francisco USO for September include Spanish language instruction by native speakers, Wednesdays at 7 p.m.; guitar lessons and jam sessions every Thursday evening from 7 p.m. and lessons in disco dancing every Friday. San Francisco USO Center, Airline Terminal Building, 375 O'Farrell at Taylor. Phone 776-3100.

## Education Center

The Army Education Center offers experienced active duty personnel an opportunity to take examinations for certification by the National Institute for Automotive Service Excellence. Application deadline is October 1. For further information, see a counselor in Bldg. 1216 or phone Ext. 2974.

## Recreation Center

On Monday nights at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135, there is a Chess Class with a fine instructor for those of you who wish to improve your chess game. Also on Monday, there is an Aerobic Conditioning Class from 6 - 7:30 p.m. The new class begins on September 11 and there is a charge of \$36.00 for the six-week course. This class is open to all post personnel, military, dependent and civilian.

On Tuesday, the Belly Dancing Class beginning at 7 p.m. is a good way to stay in shape and to learn a popular art form. (Open to military personnel and dependents 19 years old and over).

On Wednesday night at 6:30 p.m. there is a Yoga Class, an excellent way to relieve tension and stretch body muscles.

Starting Monday nights at 8 p.m., the U.S. Coast Guard will hold a Boating Skills and Seamanship Class. Come on up and learn the basic skills of boating and seamanship. This class is free and open to all interested in boating.

On Friday night, September 15, the World Heavyweight Champion fight can be seen on our big T.V. screen. Can Ali regain the title from the Champion Leon Spinks?

Wednesday night is our Disco Dance night with DJ "Bobby G." Lots of good records to dance to and a fine light show. For additional information about the Center activities, please call Ext. 2000/5420 daily after 2 p.m.

If you want to get your children involved in wholesome, well-organized activities, visit the local recreation services office and inquire about Dependent Youth Activities (DYA). DYA offers sports and social activities for dependents between six and 19 years of age.

Specific activities include tennis, arts and crafts, bowling, scouting, and seasonal events.

## Crafts Shop

A class in Beginners Photography will begin Wednesday, October 4, 6 - 9 p.m., for four weeks, \$5.00 fee per person. This class will be repeated beginning November 1. Hand Building with Clay will begin Thursday, October 5 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for eight weeks, \$10.00 fee per person. Jewelry Making begins Tuesday, October 3 6:30 - 9:30 p.m., for an eight week duration, \$10.00 per person. Stained Glass will begin Friday, October 6 from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. for six weeks, \$15.00 per person. Pottery on the Wheel begins October 3, every Tuesday evening from 6:30 - 9:30 p.m. for six weeks, fee \$7.50 per person. Beginning Woodworking commences October 6, Friday evenings, from 7 - 9:30 p.m., for a four week duration, \$5.00 fee per person.

For more information call Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122, ext. 4497.

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## What do you think of marriages of convenience?

## Ramblin' Sam



**PFC Sharon Lawson, Compact** — "I'm not for convenience marriages. If you say the vows, you're supposed to mean them. It would help you financially, but if you don't respect your principles and morals, then who will?"



**Pvt. Lisa Holoman, MISO** — "I'm kind of leery of them because it's not being honest to yourself or to whomever you're marrying. If you want to marry for money, you should go all the way and make it for life."

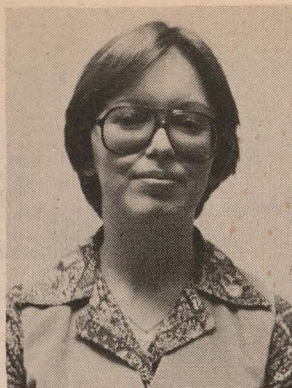


**Sp4 Don Ketzer, Post Chapel** — "It's hard to say from a liberal viewpoint. It would depend on the couple, how they felt. From a religious viewpoint, it's a commitment by two to live as one in God's eyes."

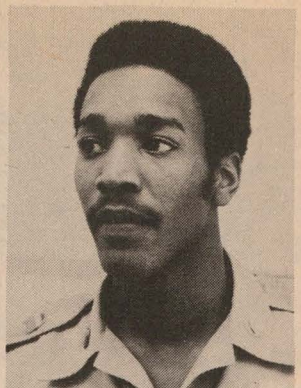


**Pvt. Lena King, Data Conversion** — "I think it's alright for other people because they're the ones who have to make the decision. If, and only if, I were desperate enough, then yes, I would, but otherwise NO!"

**Ms. Elizabeth Greeley, Transportation Division** — "Quite frankly, I don't believe in them, however, it's up to the individual to make his own decision on something as personal as marriage. This is something that deals with each person's conscience and is a decision that no one can make for someone else."



**Sp4 Rayven Justice, Compact** — "I believe that if a person vows to be faithful, he should stick to that vow. Sure, you get the money, but is it really worth it? You're really getting over, and there should be a law against it."



## Smoke Detectors

Family housing fires have continually been a leading cause of fire injuries and deaths in U.S. Army Forces Command (FORSCOM), according to Henry Lloyd of the FORSCOM Engineer Office. To help reduce these statistics, FORSCOM installations were authorized, in 1976, to install smoke detectors in family housing units. Work has begun to equip all of the 45,000 units within the command.

Bob Russell of the FORSCOM Logistics Office reports that the program, costing over two million dollars, will be substantially completed or under contract by October. Exceptions will be housing under renovation by contractors or housing out of service.

Smoke detectors are designed to recognize the presence of smoke and sound an alarm. Fires late at night pose a serious hazard to sleeping occupants. A detector can provide sufficient early warning to allow occupants to get out of the house, and out of danger.

Several fire reports already indicate that smoke detectors have probably saved the lives of housing occupants. As a fringe benefit of detectors, a reduction in property damage is anticipated, says Lloyd. It should become apparent when all homes become equipped with detectors and more statistics are developed for comparison.

## Engineer work on Doyle Drive

Sandblasting, painting and maintenance work has resumed, after being delayed by inclement weather. Work will be performed on steel structure, over and near Buildings 650 and 651, starting on September 18 and will be completed in approximately two weeks. All personnel are cautioned not to park their automobiles close to work area and keep all windows closed during sandblasting operation.

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# Local Wives' Clubs plan Fun Day



The First Annual Community Softball Tournament and Fun Day at the Presidio will be held on the Ft. Scott softball field, Saturday, September 30, beginning at 10 a.m. Fun Day is sponsored by the combined Wives clubs, and sanctioned by the Post Commander and other major commands on the Presidio.

All military personnel assigned or residing on the Presidio and their dependents are welcome to participate. Other events will include volleyball, basketball, horseshoes and children's races.

All units and staff sections are encouraged to enter a softball team. Team makeup must be five men and five women. To enter a team, call the following:

Sixth Army units offices: Lt. Doak, ext. 561-3805  
 All others: Maj. Golphennee, ext. 561-6196

Food and refreshments will be sold. Everyone is invited to bring a picnic lunch and spend the day helping to make the Presidio a better place to live and work.

## Military photo contest

The Defense Department has announced the opening of the 10th annual competition for Military Newsfilm Photographer of the Year.

**Entries**

Eligible photography must have been taken between Jan. 1, 1978 and Dec. 31, 1978, and entries must be received by DoD by March 1, 1979.

Competition is open to all active duty military cinematographers in the Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps. Reservists and National Guardsmen are also eligible to enter if the film was shot while they were on full-time annual training duty and assigned as motion picture cameramen.

**Where to Write**

For additional information on contest categories and submission requirements, write to Military Newsfilm Contest, OASD (PA), Audiovisual Division, Room 2E773, Pentagon, Washington, D.C. 20301, or call the contest office on Autovon 227-6161. (AFPS)



## Retirees travel allowances

Potential retirees, did you know you were eligible for travel allowances to your retirement home?

The Army will provide an authorized travel allowance from your last duty station to your home of record or to your "home of selection," provided the travel is completed within one year of your retirement date.

You are eligible for travel allowances if you retire with pay, with eight or more years continuous active duty immediately before you retire, or if you retire from active duty as a result of physical disability and receive placement on the Temporary Disability Retired List.

Reimbursement of travel expenses for you and your dependents is made after the travel is performed.

Your retirement services officer can provide more specific details. Contact Mr. Nightingale, ext. 5155.

## MARS Station

Here's a real service for military personnel and their dependents. You can use MARS (Military Affiliate Radio System) to transmit personal messages outside of CONUS.

The following MARS services are available:

Mars Gram — A written message of 30 words or less, initiated either stateside or overseas, transmitted among MARS stations by radio. There is no charge for this service, and although delivery cannot be guaranteed, a very high percent of the messages are received at the overseas address.

Phone Patch — A voice communication, initiated from an overseas MARS operator to a stateside MARS station and extended by the receiving MARS station, by long distance telephone, on a "collect" basis to the called party. Only the toll charges between the stateside MARS station and the called party are charged to the receiver of the call.

Visit your installation MARS station for more details. (FORSCOM)



### Squash tournament

This year's tournament sparked a renewed interest in squash play and produced a surprising result in a recent match. Thomas Egan (LAMC) was soundly thrashed by Bob Horn (LAMC) three games to zero. Egan had been the perennial champion and had previously vanquished all opponents.

Bill James (LAMC) is another new player on post who is creaming all challengers in another division. Along with Michael McConnell (LAMC), these four should advance to the play-offs.

Results have been largely lopsided, but the weaker players are gaining experience by playing these top players.

Squash is a fast action game that should be watched and played. Tips can be picked up easily by watching from the viewing galley at Post Gym #1 (Bldg. 63).

### Bowling Finals

| TEAM STANDING | WON | LOST |
|---------------|-----|------|
| 87th Ord Det  | 24  | 8    |
| INSCOM #2     | 24  | 8    |
| USAG          | 22  | 10   |
| LAMC #2       | 18½ | 13½  |
| 864th ENGRS   | 12½ | 19½  |
| LAMC-LAB #2   | 12  | 20   |
| 16th AG DET   | 6   | 26   |
| LAMC-LAB #3   | 5   | 27   |

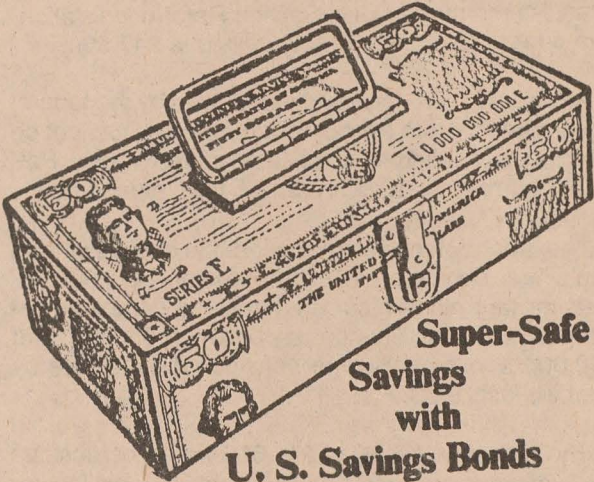
### Flag Football

LAMC #1 defeated USAG 8 to 6 to maintain a 4 - 0 record in the Presidio Intramural Flag Football League. Outstanding defensive plays and the fine throwing arm of quarterback **Randolph** and catching ability of wide receiver **Bush** has enabled LAMC #1 to roll by their opponents. LAIR with a 3 - 0 record is banking on quarterback **Peterson** and kicking specialist **Davis** to keep them abreast of LAMC #1. Showdown between these two undefeated teams will take place on September 26 at the PX Field, starting at 7:15 p.m.

**LAIR-17 — FBI-16** With less than 2 minutes to play, FBI scored twice to force the game into an overtime period. LAIR'S defensive team contained the men of the FBI on the other side of the 40 yard line to squeak out a one point victory.

### Other scores

|            |                  |
|------------|------------------|
| LAIR 17    | FBI 16           |
| LAMC #1 26 | 163 MP Co. 8     |
| USAG 13    | 170 MP Co. 10    |
| FBI 12     | Corps of Engrs 0 |
| LAMC #2 14 | 864 Engrs 0      |
| LAIR 14    | USACC 6          |





## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Sept. 15, Coming Home (R), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 16, Pete's Dragon (G), 2 and 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 17, Convoy (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18, Convoy (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, The Redeemer (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, Sister Street Fighter (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 21, The Manitou (PG), 7 p.m.

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Friday, Sept. 15, The Cat From Outer Space (G), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 18, The Swarm (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 19, Pretty Baby (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 20, Telefon (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 21, First Love (R), 7 p.m.

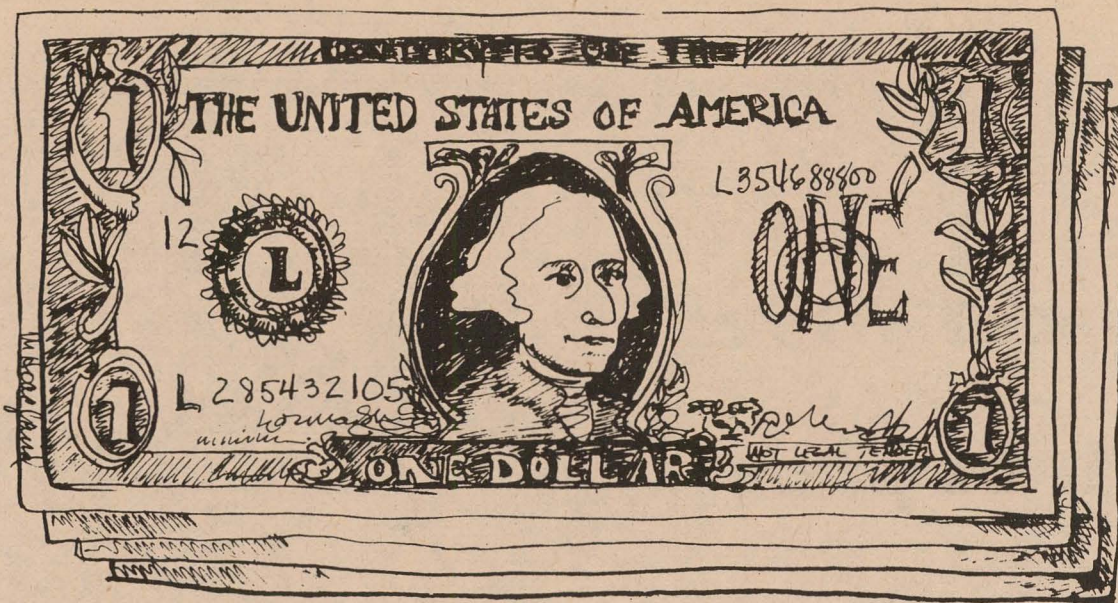
### PROGRAM SYNOPSIS

**THE SWARM (PG)** A story of the terror, anguish and bewilderment of men and women fighting the odds of impossibility. The southwest is invaded by billions of winged killers — Africanized bees bent on death and destruction. Elements of violence may be too intense for children.

**COMING HOME (R)** This is a war story without a single battle scene and a love story. Jane Fonda is a volunteer in a veteran's hospital while her husband (Bruce Dern) is in Vietnam. Jon Voight is an embittered disabled veteran whose love for Fonda helps him regain a sense of value in his life. When Dern returns, all three must face their feelings, themselves and each other.

**PRETTY BABY (R)** The story is based on the infamous red-light district of New Orleans, called Storyville, at the time of its demise in 1917. Twelve year old model-actress Brooke Shields plays the daughter of Susan Sarandon and follows in her mother's footsteps. Keith Carradine plays a real-life famous photographer whose studies of the ladies have given them an immortality.

**CONVOY (PG)** An independent trucker, Kris Kristofferson, and his buddies run afoul of mean sheriff Ernest Borgnine. When Borgnine gets mean the action really gets going with roadblocks, government boondoggling, an escape which wrecks the jail and shootouts. Some material may not be suitable for children.



## Suggestion Program

by Bill Lopez

Participation in the much-publicized Army Suggestion Program is slipping even though some suggestions promise large cash awards, according to a DA program official.

"We're in the process now of computing awards for three soldiers who all submitted ideas that will save more than \$1 million each," the program official said.

Even if an idea doesn't save a large amount of money, program officials advise soldiers to consider that the average cash award paid during FY 1977 was more than \$2,400.

Since the program peaked about 1970, a steady drop in participation rates and dollar savings has program officials concerned. Although more DA civilians are taking part in the program, military participation has reached new lows.

"The purpose of the program is to save money," the officials declared. "Many suggestions concern improvements that provide intangible benefits, like improving morale. These are valid suggestions but you have to suggest a positive solution and not just complain about something being no good."

Too many suggestions are invalid, the official explained, because they are only substitutes for complaints.

Formal suggestions (DA Form 1045) may also be rejected because they don't contain four necessary ingredients, the official notes. These include an explanation of the current practice, the suggested change, information on how and where the idea can be used, and an explanation of savings for benefits that will result.

But having these points clearly explained in a suggestion doesn't mean it will be adopted, the official observed. Many valid suggestions are rejected because they offer ideas that are already required by regulation or policy.

"Suggestions can't be used to enforce existing regulations or policies," the official commented.

Soldiers' suggestions to change regulations governing personnel are among the most popular, according to a DA Personnel Official. But this type of suggestion also has a high rejection rate.

Many suggestions are rejected and returned to soldiers with standard replies. An official expressed dissatisfaction with "impersonal" replies but adds that there's usually good reason for such a response.

You have to remember that these (replies) deal with issues that have been considered over and over again and will not change. A form letter reply just speeds up the process, said the official.

"A suggestion we get often is to change the suggestion form itself," the official continued. "But the Civil Service Commission is studying a single

form for all government agencies and there's just no point in revising the DA form under the circumstances," he added.

"We've also had a lot of suggestions to pay our awards with savings bonds instead of cash," according to the official. "But we've been over this several times with treasury and they don't want to force bonds on people. Besides, it would cause delays in presenting awards and there's the problem of set values for bonds."

Many suggestions to improve morale are not proper material for the program, the official observed. Some of these fall under "housekeeping" classifications and include such improvement as painting a lounge, cleaning of buildings and other concerns of local officials charged with housekeeping responsibilities.

Are suggestions sometimes rejected and adopted later? Yes, says the official, but a suggestor retains credit for an idea for one year following the rejection. The only catch to this policy is that an award could be denied if the change or improvement resulted from something other than the original suggestion. If two people made the same suggestion, the official explained, the first person would have a claim to its acceptance. But, if officials made a decision independent of the suggestion, even though it had the same effect, the suggestor would not be credited with prompting the change.

If a suggestion is rejected, there are ways to have the suggestion reconsidered, the official advised. More justification for adopting a suggestion and requesting reconsideration may gain a review at the next higher command level.

Generally, if a suggestion is adopted, at least \$25 is awarded for the idea. But awards can be as much as \$25,000. Computation for adopted suggestion payments is outlined in AR 672-20.

About 8.4 percent of all suggestions by soldiers were adopted in FY 77, or 2,636 out of 31,327, constituting a four percent participation rate among active duty soldiers.

Soldier participation lags behind the 15.7 percent participation rate among DA civilians. In addition, civilians during FY 77 had a 24.7 percent adoption rate.

Suggestion participation and savings is much lower than levels in previous years, the official said, among both military and civilian personnel. And considering today's inflated dollar, savings should be growing instead of declining.

The Army estimates that it saves \$34 for every single dollar it pays out in cash awards. That's not a bad return for the Army and all the more reason for soldiers to be persistent with suggestions submissions. (ARNews)

## Double Dippers

Future "Double Dippers" would be limited to collecting retirement and federal pay totaling no more than \$47,500 annually if an amendment to a House Committee bill is approved.

The amendment was approved by the House Post Office and Civil Service Committee last week and will be forwarded for consideration by the full House when the Civil Service Reform legislation is presented as a package.

Military retirees employed by the federal government — both officer and enlisted — would be limited to an annual federal income that does not exceed the maximum career Civil Service pay ceiling, according to an amendment to Civil Service Reform legislation. The current Civil Service pay ceiling is \$47,500.

All military retirees already employed by the federal government before the bill becomes law would not be affected, according to a spokeswoman for Rep. Patricia Schroeder (Dem.-Colo.), the amendment's sponsor.

The amendment was proposed, the spokeswoman explained, because statistics show about 3,000 retired military officers currently receive combined retirement and Civil Service pay between \$50,000 and \$80,000 annually, a figure considered excessive by the bill's sponsors.

The proposed ceiling of \$47,500 would increase as the maximum career Civil Servant pay ceiling increased, the spokeswoman added.

Currently, retired regular officers who work for the Civil Service forfeit some of their retirement pay while retired Reserve officers and retired FM do not. This disparity in the law would be eliminated if the bill is adopted. (ARNews)

## Forest Management

by Lynn Ligon

After delays caused by weather and non-availability of equipment, the Presidio's Forest Management Program got started in earnest recently.

As reported in the April 7 edition of the Star Presidian, the Program is a combined effort of the Post Facilities Engineers (DFE) and Co. D, 864th Engineers. While the 864th will be doing cutting, chipping and hauling, DFE will share these tasks, but also will be planting new growth in some areas.

The first work is being done in the area adjacent to the No. 9 fairway on the Golf Course. Here, approximately 250 suppressed and diseased trees (mostly eucalypti) are being removed. Bet-

ween that area and the Arguello Blvd., 10-15 more diseased trees will be removed. This portion of the Program will continue through the end of September. In early October, the Facilities Engineers, under the supervision of Post Agronomist Rudolph Choun, will begin planting new trees in this latter area. According to Choun, approximately 100 Bishop Pines and Lawson Cypress will be put out in this area to replace the old trees and to fill-in spaces where there were no trees before.

The current phase of the Forest Management Program will run through the end of November, barring weather delays. The overall program is continuous, with definite plans laid out for the next five years.



# Fun Day:

## First Annual Community Day

### Softball Tournament

by Ted Elisee

The Fourth of July is over — and so is Labor Day. Nothing else to celebrate. Right? Wrong! The party will continue on the Presidio on September 30th. The celebration is unique because it's a first time event. The "First Annual Community Day Softball Tournament" better known as "Fun Day" is a day for everyone living or working on the Presidio.

Although softball is the main event, softball is not the only activity for the day. The teams for the softball competition are what you should not miss. Every team will have five men and five women. No interest in softball you say? That's fine. There's more to do.



Come on out to the Dunk Tank. Throw a few balls and try to dip the bather. Who's the bather? Well, the post commander for one, plus other well-known Presidio faces. Come on out to see the action, and who'll be on the dive.

There's other action in store, too. How about the greased pole competition? Or the children's races. It is all for you!

So come on Presidio. Join the fun, and have a hot dog or a beer.

The fun starts at 9:30 a.m. See you there.

P.S. — Don't miss the tug of war between the mean and the women!

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## ETS Countdown

by Rebecca Hall

"Say, hey, man. How's it going?"

"Great, I'm SHORT!"

This exchange can be heard often and in any place — the dining facility, formation, the doctor's waiting room, anywhere two soldiers can talk. The impact of the short timer's calendar is strong.

**"While you're waiting ... start getting your ducks in line ..."**

However, as glittering as that ETS date may seem, you don't just roll out of bed on that glorious morning and traipse over to Oakland Outprocessing Center.

Before leaving the Presidio there are several details the soldier must take care of.

About six months prior to ETS, the soldier should have his reenlistment interview. At this time the BIG decision is voiced.

That taken care of, the soldier should receive a form letter 90 to 120 days prior to ETS. This letter, again, asks your intentions — staying in or getting out? If you're getting out, you need to make an appointment for your ETS physical, fill out the form letter and return it.

If, for some reason, your discharge involves medical problems, you should document your case and get the hospital staff working on it at least six months before you get out.

Reporting for your physical, and getting it completed, is very important to your ETSing. Without completing your physical, you will not be outprocessed and will be delayed in leaving the Center.

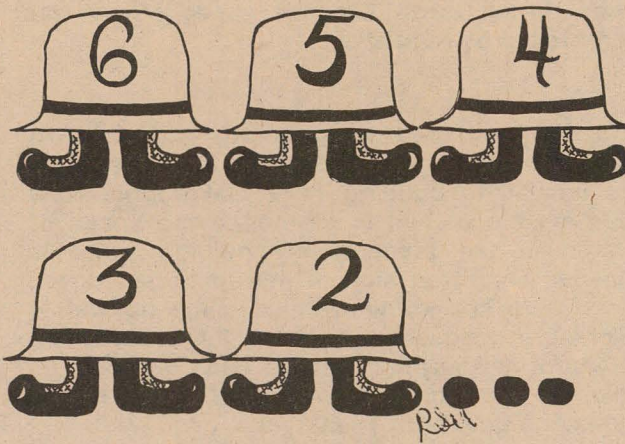
When you report for your physical, the first portion of it will be given. Your blood pressure, hearing, vision and lungs will be checked. An appointment will be made here for a physician's exam at a later date. Women must also have a pap smear within six months of their ETS.

Now you wait, and count down the days.

While you're waiting it might be a good idea to start getting your ducks in line, so to speak.

Before you leave the Presidio you must clear Army Community Services (if you owe them any pots, pans or dishes be sure to return them!); the Education Center; Army Emergency Relief; Courts and Boards; the Credit Union; the dental clinic; the post club (officer or enlisted); the library (any overdue books?) the hospital; military personnel office; the motor pool; the telephone service; transportation; Rec Services; the Provost Marshal; Finance; and family housing.

If you make sure you've returned anything you've borrowed you're clearing procedure will be greatly simplified.



Up to 10 days before your actual ETS date you can pick up your clearance papers from your company. Once you've cleared all the places listed previously (which must be done in uniform), you're ready to report to the Welcome Center here one day before your ETS for briefing and final clearance.

At 6:45 a.m. the next day (your ETS has arrived!!!) you report to Oakland Army Base Outprocessing Center, Oakland, Bldg. 640.

You're introduced to your Floor NCO who is responsible for you during the remainder of your processing. He will direct you to all the clearing stations and answer any questions you may have.

**"... the soldier spends six to eight hours outprocessing ... 'Hurry up and wait' will soon be over ..."**

After you've met your NCO, you'll receive a Reserve/National Guard Briefing, then be directed to the Finance Section, Medical Station and Supply Section. Once you've cleared these stations you'll be briefed on the AFL-CIO, Veterans Administration and V.A. Claims.

Once you've been 'debriefed,' head over to the lounge area. For your entertainment there's a pool table, T.V., ping pong, cards and a video tape machine which shows movies. This waiting period is called 'dead time' and is needed to get all the paper work squared away.

When all the documents are completed, you return to the briefing room for your final briefing and to get your separation papers. (This is important, so don't get too involved in the movie) From here, you line up at the pay cage to receive your final pay and turn in your ID card.

Directly across from the pay cage for your convenience, there is an Airlines Ticket Office, where you can buy your airline ticket back home.

Usually, the average short soldier spends six to eight hours outprocessing, so be prepared to spend the day. "Hurry up and wait" will soon be over.

And, when it is over, there is some compensation for the day's hassles. Above the exit is a sign which conveys it all: "Through these doors walk the shortest men in the world."



# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk. It's good to be back at the typewriter after a short leave.

The 163rd MP Co. reported the following promotion: **Mark McManus** to PFC. The company passed its IG inspection with a superior rating for the supply room which is run by **SSgt. James Perry**. Congrats! An ARCOM was awarded to **SSgt. James Remington** for meritorious service.

The 170th MP Co. reported the promos of: **Dorothea Baird** to Sp4 and **Dennis Bryant** to Sp4. The unit sends its best.

USAG sends farewells to **Sp5 Dave Nyemaster** who is PCSing to Ft. Bliss, Texas. Dave did an outstanding job as Mail Clerk. His replacement is **PVT Ricardo Heredia**. ETSing were **Sp5 Bruce Nelson** and **Sp4 Marcia Griggs**. Good Luck!

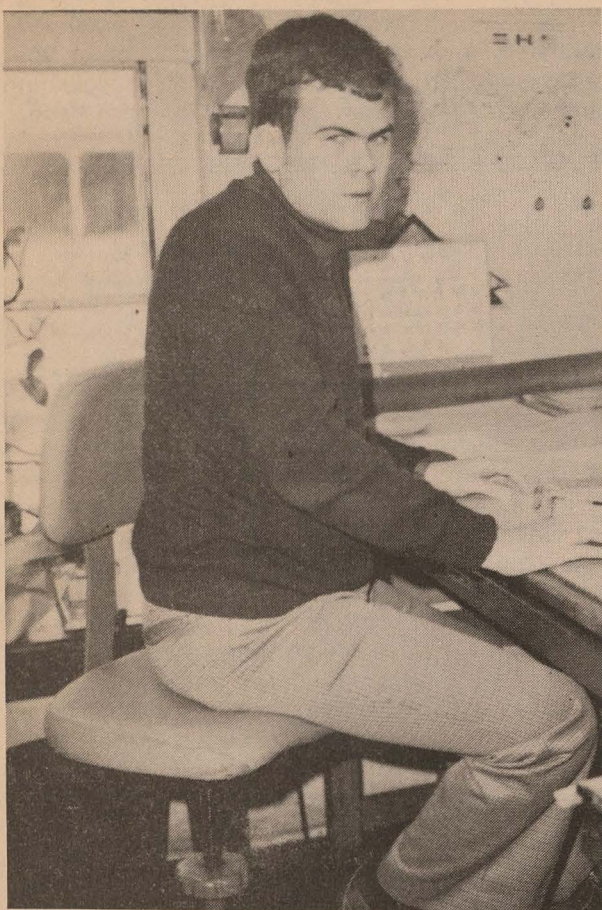
16th AG Postal is off to Europe supporting the Reforger Exercise. On October 15 the unit will support exercise Autumn Safari at Ft. Irwin.

Coverage of **LAIR** and **LAMC** will begin shortly in this column. Have anything interesting to report to us? Give us a call. We'll be glad to provide some coverage. Take care all.

Talk to you next week.

## PSF

## Spotlight



**John R. Hendry, Jr.**

Recently, John R. Hendry, Jr. was awarded the 1978 San Francisco Bay Area Federal Executive Award for a handicapped employee who has demonstrated outstanding performance on the job.

Mr. Hendry, formerly of the Directorate of Facilities Engineering, Master Planning Branch, reproduced copies of maps and drawings on ozalid equipment and a printer in spite of his handicap. He also operated a large stationary camera. All of this equipment is complicated, however, John was able to identify the source of most malfunctions and correct them.

John also learned the skill of using a mechanical lettering set, and improved his reading skills through classes given at the Presidio.

Congratulations, John!

## Ramblin' Sam



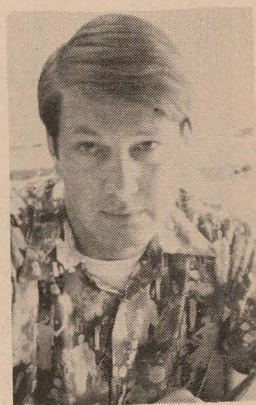
**Mrs. Faye Manney, Accounting Technician, Finance and Accounting** — "I would like to move up in the ranks of civil service and remain right here on the Presidio."

**Sp4 Edward Harland, Medium Dispatcher, TMP** — "The White House Motor Pool, because of all the diplomats I could meet. Also because of all the interesting experiences I could have."



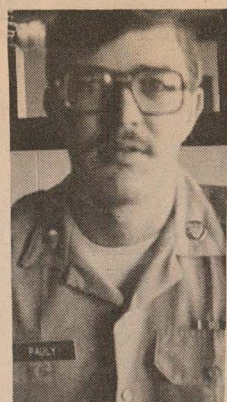
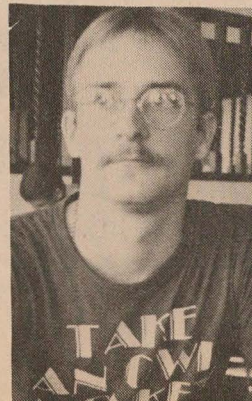
**Sp4 Burl Mikesell, Operations Assistant, DPTSEC** — "Probably right here because it is close to my home in Concord, and it's a good assignment."

**Sp6 Jerry Cox, Computer Programmer, MISO** — "Right here on the Presidio, because the location, the climate, and the post facilities are great."



**Sp4 Cathy Underhill, Drivers Testing Assistant, TMP** — "My dream assignment would be Hawaii, because I just got back from there, and the people are really friendly and it's not as expensive as they say it is."

**Sp4 Harry Rambo, Veterinary Technician, LAIR** — "I would like to be stationed at Walter Reed Institute of Research, Wash. D.C. It's a nice place to work, and close to home. The city is neat, and it's on the east coast."



**Sp4 Bernard Pauly, Mail Clerk, HQ Sixth Region, CIDC** — "Anywhere in Europe, because of the people, and the new experiences. It's very rewarding over there."

## ACTION

**Q.** Recently (April 21) there was an Action Line in the Star Presidian by Chief Warrant Officer Pack who was trying to get speed bumps installed in the Ft. Barry area. This request was turned down because speed bumps are prohibited by regulation.

We have tried on numerous occasions to get others things accomplished in this area, including the building of a playground. Now our main objective is to reduce the speed of traffic in the area. In my opinion, what is needed is a stop sign. If this is turned down, I'd like to see someone else come up with a workable suggestion to solve the problem instead of just saying, "No, we can't do this." I'd like to see something positive done before someone gets hurt. Thank you.

**Capt. Van Lowry**

**A.** Stop signs were installed in the area sometime after the query was received by the post engineers.

If you have a problem you can't get solved through chain-of-command, then call Action Line at 5463.

## L-I-N-E

**Q.** It is my understanding that the Presidio comes under the laws of the City of San Francisco. If this is the case, then why aren't the laws in reference to animal control enforced?

**Name withheld by request**

**A.** Animal control on the Presidio is regulated by Presidio Regulation 210-10, not by the laws of the city of San Francisco. A copy of PSF Reg. 210-10 may be obtained from the Family Housing Office, Building 227. Specific complaints concerning the control of pets should be directed to the Military Police desk at telephone 561-2251.

**LTC Carolyn H. Cain**  
**Provost Marshal**

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# Community News

### Road closed

Crissey Field Road from Mason to Lincoln will be closed for approximately two weeks. The closure is a result of sandblasting being done on Doyle Drive overpass.

When the work is done in the Crissey area, Lincoln will close from Crissey to Storey, for approximately one week.

### The courage to give

Although there is no stated 'goal' for this year's Combined Federal Campaign, 100 percent participation is needed to make the success story complete.

With the payroll deduction plan the money is taken out of your check before you ever get it. This way, you never really 'miss' it and your contribution can be larger. You may not have \$25 you can spare now, but if you contribute \$2.00 per month, you'll have donated \$24 by the end of the year.

The money you contribute goes many places. Girl Scouts, The Red Cross, Day Care Centers, various religious groups, programs for the aged and handicapped and ethnic programs are all helped when you have the courage to give. Or, you can name a specific agency you would like your contribution sent to.

Count your blessings ... and have the courage to give so that others may have blessings to count.

### Rec Center news

**Aerobic Conditioning Class** — This ongoing class is now scheduled for Monday and Wednesday 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. **Belly Dancing Class** — A good way to stay in shape and learn this ancient art. The class meets on Tuesdays at 7 p.m. **Disco Dance Class** — Learn all the new dance steps by our professional dance instructor. Class meets Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. **U.S.C.G. Boating Skills and Seamanship Class** — Come on up to the center and learn the basic skills of boating and seamanship. Class meets Mondays at 8 p.m. **Disco Dance Class** — Every Wednesday night is our Disco night, featuring Bobby G the Soul Disco Man. Lots of good records to dance to and refreshments also. **Yoga Class** — The Yoga class has been rescheduled for Thursday nights at 6:30 p.m. Yoga is a good way to relieve tension and stretch body muscles. **Piano Class** — A piano and limited violin class is being scheduled for early October. Classes will be Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday by appointment. Sign up now while there is still room in the class. On Sunday October 8, starting at 3 p.m. there will be a **Gospel Music Extravaganza** in the main room of the Recreation Center. Several well known Bay Area Gospel Singers and Musicians will entertain. The public is invited. Refreshments will be served. No admission. For additional information about the Center activities, please call Ext. 2000 daily after 2 p.m. Extra, Extra — 49er Tickets now available to several games (Cincinnati, October 1; St. Louis, November 12; Los Angeles, November 19; and Pittsburgh, November 27).

# Liars Club



The annual Polygraphers Seminar sponsored by HQS Sixth Region CIDC will be held here on September 26 and 27. The seminar is a closed session. The purpose of the meeting is to recognize and discuss developments in the field of Polygraphy.

# Sports at a Glance

**LAMC #2 - 20, LAMC #1 - 16:** Quarterback **Ramsberger** and his outcast football players took on the pride of LAMC and pulled the upset of the week. Three touchdown passes by **Ramsberger** and outstanding defensive plays in containing quarterback **Randolph** and wide receiver **Gibson** was the margin of victory. Half time score was 16 to 12 in favor of LAMC #1. A seven yard pass from **Ramsberger** to **Solon** put LAMC #2 ahead 20 to 16 in the fourth period.

**FBI 14 — Garrison 6:** **Rich Smith** passed for two touchdowns as the FBI tacked on another defeat for Garrison. An 18 yard pass from **Smith** to **Morse** late in the third period put the FBI ahead 14 to 6. Quarterback **Jones** threw a 30 yard pass to **Fred Lewis** for Garrison's score.

**USACC 14 — Corps of Engrs 12:** Running back **Harrison** scored two touchdowns as USACC defeated Corps of Engrs for their first win of the season. **Harrison's** first touchdown came on an 18 yard pass from quarterback **Carpenter** in the second period. Score at half time was 6 to 6. In the third period a double pass from **Kelter** to **Kelly** to **Lenny** good for 35 yards and a touchdown, put the Corps of Engrs ahead 12 - 6. With less than two minutes to play in the final period **Harrison** took a pitch out and ran eight yards for his second touchdown. **Roy's** kick went between the uprights for the extra point and victory for the men of the Communication Center.

**LAIR 24 — 864th Engrs 8:** Quarterback **Peterson** was the whole show as he threw three touchdown passes to his wide receiver and running back. Wide receiver **McDonald** caught two touchdown passes for 25 and 10 yards and running back **Ludwig**, the old man of the league, caught one for 41 yards. Kicking specialist **Davis** made all the extra points good as LAIR continues to remain undefeated.

**LAMC #2 — 12, 163rd MP Co. 8:** Another defeat for the Military Policemen of the 163rd MP Co. and HHD 504th MP Bn, as the pill pushers from LAMC #2 scored two first half touchdowns on the passing of quarterback **Ramsberger**. 163rd got on the scoreboard late in the 4th period on a 7 yard pass. 163rd will be looking for their first victory next week.

**FEATURE GAME OF THE WEEK: LAIR vs LAMC #1, Tuesday September 26, 7:15 p.m., PX Field.**

### TEAM STANDING

| TEAM           | WON | LOST |
|----------------|-----|------|
| LAIR           | 4   | 0    |
| LAMC #1        | 4   | 1    |
| FBI            | 3   | 1    |
| LAMC #2        | 3   | 1    |
| USAG           | 3   | 2    |
| USACC          | 1   | 2    |
| 170th MP Co.   | 1   | 2    |
| 864th Engrs    | 1   | 3    |
| 163rd MP Co.   | 0   | 4    |
| Corps of Engrs | 0   | 4    |

### SQUASH TOURNAMENT

**Bob Horn**, LAMC, in Division I and **Bill Jones**, LAMC, in Division II have continued to roll along undefeated in their quest for the Post Squash Championships. **Willie Session**, LAMC, and **Bill Marshall**, LAMC, could be the sleepers in Division I while **Beno English**, ARR IX and **Ben Cannon**, LAMC, may provide some surprises for the rest of the field in Division II. The round robin competition in the two divisions should wind up this week and the top two players in each division will compete for the title. Again, all squash enthusiasts as well as those who have never been exposed to this fast moving racket sport are urged to stop by and watch some of the competition at the Post Gymnasium, Bldg. 63.



# Crime Scene

## Lock it or lose it

by Don Delver

According to figures from the California Highway Patrol, over 140,000 vehicles were stolen last year in the state.

Motorcycles make up much of the total, because of the relative ease with which they can be stolen. To put this in the proper perspective, the average motorcycle is stolen within the first 3 months of ownership. Three months from the time of purchase, to the time when the bike is stolen, does not give you much time to enjoy your motorcycle, and if you have had your cycle longer than 3 months, you're riding on borrowed time.

"But I have a strong fork lock," you say, "and I never leave the keys in my bike, so why should I worry?" The current method of stealing motorcycles is for one or two people to pick up an untended bike and put it in a van or pick-up truck, and then take it to a shop or garage where it can be stripped and the fork lock broken. This means that simply locking the bike and taking the keys is not enough to provide security. The rate of theft for motorcycles on the Presidio bears this out.



Proper security for motorcycles starts with the registration of the bike at the Provost Marshal's Vehicle Registration Section. Since many manufacturers set blank replacement parts for serial numbered items such as frames, another important step is to mark the bike in several inconspicuous spots with your civilian driver's license number. This provides police with a way to positively identify your bike, even if frames, motor housing or other numbered parts are switched. Finally, your cycle must be securely chained to a fixed object such as a bike rack, telephone pole, light pole, or other sturdy stationary object.

Two things must be considered when purchasing chains and locks for your bike, first the chain must be of hardened steel with links at least 1/2 inch in diameter. This makes them hard to cut through with almost all bolt cutters. Second, the padlock must provide protection and strength at least equal to the chain, and should therefore be hardened steel with a shackle at least 1/2 inch in diameter. This means you may have to go to a little extra trouble to locate locks and chain which meet the above specifications, but a few minutes time and a few extra dollars invested may save your \$3,000.00 motorcycle. Inexpensive, lightweight chain or cheap, inadequate padlocks do not provide the level of protection needed to prevent theft, and the dollars you may save constitute false economy.

It is hoped that you will develop good crime prevention habits which will stay with you no matter where you go. Using your intelligence and imagination to spot potential targets for theft, and then taking action to reduce the likelihood that a theft will occur is a large part of what crime prevention is about. The tips given concerning motorcycle protection are just a few of the ways crime prevention can work for you.

Call 561-5011, the Provost Marshal Crime Prevention Section, if you desire further information.

# News Break

## Educational assistance

Army Emergency Relief (AER) has an educational assistance program for dependent children of Army members — active, retired and deceased — to pursue postsecondary vocational or undergraduate studies?

AER educational assistance includes loans and/or scholarships. The funds for this program are limited and applications are competitively evaluated. Need is the primary criterion for a scholarship and also for a loan. In all cases the individual's academic achievements and ability and personal accomplishments are considered.

If your dependent son or daughter will be attending college or a post-secondary vocational school in September 1979 and needs financial assistance, you should look into AER's program now. Individuals who are receiving AER educational assistance for the current school year are reminded they must apply again for continued assistance in the next school year. To be considered for AER educational assistance, applications must be completed, with required documentation, to reach Headquarters AER not later than March 1 1979.

You can obtain detailed information and an application form by contacting: a) Your AER Officer, bldg. 214, PSF, or b) Any AER Section, located on most Army installations, or c) Headquarters AER, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. 20314.

## LWC activities

The Letterman Women's Club is beginning an exciting new year of programs and activities. A great variety of activities are offered to the membership from cake decorating to aerobic conditioning, oriental rug making to cooking classes of all cuisines.

One of the most exciting functions of the year will be the annual art auction which will occur on Friday, October 6, at the Presidio Officer's Club.

The monthly luncheons are held on the second Thursday of each month at different locations in the Bay area. Speakers and programs of interest to all are featured at each luncheon.

Funds are donated annually to several Army service organizations such as The Army Distaff Foundation, Inc. and Letterman Hospital.

The L.W.C. is an active group of women involved in a number of interesting and beneficial programs. Anyone interested in learning more or signing up as a member should call Mrs. Karen Hagler, 661-6605.

## Gym class

A Youth Gymnastics Class is being offered by Recreation Services Youth Activities for youngsters ages 6-15. Lessons will begin September 25 from 4:30 to 6 p.m. at Post Gym #2 (Letterman Gym), Monday and Wednesday afternoons.

Classes will continue until October 18. Cost will be \$12.00 per student for the entire class. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. The instructor is Mr. Oleg Kofman, who has 16 years experience with the Russian Army Gym Team and the Odessa University Gym Team. Girls must wear leotards and slippers; boys must wear shorts and tennis shoes.

Registration and fees will be paid at Recreation Services Office, Bldg. 122, between the hours of 8 and noon. For more information, call the DYA Office, ext. 5143.

## Housing help

About to PCS? You can save a lot of time and trouble when you stop by the Housing Referral Office (HRO) at your new installation.

A required stop during your in-processing, the HRO provides centralized information, guidance and assistance on off-post housing.

Specific services include: Complete and current files of local apartments, houses, and trailer courts for rent, and rental prices; current listing of houses for sale; materials containing information on temporary housing, such as efficiency apartments, trailer spaces, and motels, etc.; local street maps; information on property on restrictive sanction because of the owner's discrimination policies. maps illustrating school districts, churches, shopping centers, etc., are on display in the HRO.

So, when you in-process, use your stop at the HRO to find out all you need to know about off-post housing.

## Opening concert

The Command Concert Series is pleased to announce the opening concert of the fall season. The performance will be presented on September 27 at the LAIR Auditorium beginning at 7:30 p.m. Warrant Officer Tony W. Cason will open the program with Pas Redouble by Saint-Saens. Other selections to be performed are: The Barber of Seville by Rossini, Land of Make Believe by Chuck Mangione, British Eighth March by Zo Elliott, and Great Gate of Kiev by Mussorgsky. This free concert is open to the public. All military personnel, their families and guests are welcome to attend.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Sept. 22, The Manitou (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 23, Return to Boggy Creek (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Sept. 23, The Bad News Bears Go To Japan (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 24, The Cheap Detective (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 25, The Cheap Detective (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, Annie Hall (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, Jennifer (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 28, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.

SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Sept. 22, Coming Home (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, Sept. 25, Convoy (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Sept. 26, The Re-deemer (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Sept. 27, Sister Street Fighter (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Sept. 28, The Manitou (PG), 7 p.m.

JENNIFER (PG) A quiet reserved girl from the hills of West Virginia is accepted on a scholarship at an exclusive girls school. The humiliation, anger and pain she is subjected to turns into a desire for revenge. Only God, or the Devil can help those who dare oppose her. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

MATILDA (G) This is the story of a boxing kangaroo. Promoter Elliott Gould sees the possibilities of Matilda, but ASPCA agent Karen Carlson doesn't. When Matilda's boxing skills become a threat, underworld boss Harry Guardino steps in. Sportswriter Robert Mitchum keeps up with the Kangaroo's progress.

### PROGRAM SYNOPSIS

THE CHEAP DETECTIVE (PG) When the partner of detective Peter Falk is found shot to death in a seedy hotel in San Francisco, Falk finds himself plunged into a seemingly never ending puzzle of multiple identities, missing persons, double-crosses and a highly prized 'object d'art'. Some material may not be suitable for children.





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## CFC: The courage to give

by Rebecca Hall

Each year the Army journalist is tasked to find new and innovative approaches to annual topics. These include Thanksgiving, Christmas, Halloween, and even the Combined Federal Campaign.

Now, what's new or innovative about these topics? Not a lot ... but, as a journalist, I have been tasked to reach you ... touch a part of you that's difficult to reach ... extend my hand and hope yours will be there. With this task comes the responsibility of being able to meet these goals and the fear of failure.

The fear of failure ... That's the worst part of it all, I guess. Knowing that if I fail in this task, I am indirectly responsible for suffering. Needless suffering, which you can help me alleviate.

The Combined Federal Campaign is the issue at hand. Reaching you, through your pockets, is the hardest thing in the world. Your money is being asked for, yet you may not be able to actually SEE what you've bought. But, no one's ever been able to SEE happiness. No one's ever been able to grasp the elusive smile of a handicapped child and hold on to it.



During the war years, this poster was used to help solicit funds for refugee relief and assistance to the Armed Forces and their families.

Even though these 'warm fuzzies' are elusive you can hold the memory of them with you. You can carry the knowledge that you have helped someone; that you have given some of yourself to those who have less; that you have helped a child walk that first step without crutches or see the sunset.

Asking you for your hard earned money is difficult. But asking those who need your help to do without it is criminal.

There are several ways you can help. First, you can make a monetary contribution when your keyperson asks you to do so; or you can opt for the payroll deduction plan. This plan is designed to help you and help you help others. The money is taken directly from your pay (like an allotment) and sent to the agency you designate (you can choose from over 200 agencies in the five county Bay area). If you select an agency, all of your contributions will go to that agency. If you don't specify a particular agency, the money will be distributed throughout the agencies.

Your donation is also tax deductible. So, you get a tax break as well as 'warm fuzzies' to carry with you.

This Army journalist has the courage to try to reach you. Do you have the courage to reach those who need your help? Only you can decide. Here's hoping you do.

## Versatility and a lot of hard work

by Tom Palmatier

One of the most active units on the Presidio of San Francisco is the Sixth Army Band.

Perhaps, it is also one of the most misunderstood in terms of its function and the performance of its duties. Many times, callers and visitors are surprised (and occasionally angry) to find that the band is off-duty on a weekday or perhaps is on a half-day schedule.

Army Bands, in general, and the 6th Army Band in particular, rarely follow a "normal" schedule. Quite to the contrary, nearly every day's schedule is different in order to accommodate the many and diverse functions of today's Army Band.

During a typical week, the 6th Army Band may be called upon to furnish a marching band for a town parade, ceremonial band for a military ceremony, concert band for a formal concert, jazz ensemble for a

county fair, Dixieland band for a football game, or a dance combo for an official reception and buglers for a funeral detail. These engagements are often scheduled on evenings and weekends.

As one can see, the job of an Army Bandsman calls for versatility and a lot of hard work, both collectively and individually, since individual instrument practice and ensemble rehearsal are the two most basic prerequisites for accomplishment of the 6th Army Band's unit mission. Members of the band must also maintain proficiency in the many areas of military and physical training for the Army Bandsman's true role is as a "soldier-musician."

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The 6th Army Band was formed in 1941 as the 19th Coast Artillery Regimental Band and after several changes of station and name, was established at the Presidio of San Francisco in 1949 as the Sixth United States Army Band. The band consists of approximately 45 enlisted men and women and one warrant officer.

Army Band organizations are tailored to the unique nature of its mission. Nearly all Bandmasters are warrant officers. The C.O. of the 6th Army Band is WO1 Tony W. Cason, a former enlisted member of the United States Army Field Band in Washington, D.C. The Bandmaster is both unit commander and principal musical leader of the band and must possess extensive musical, administrative, and musical skills.

A unique and important position in the Army Band is that of Enlisted Bandleader. This senior NCO must have the ability to function as acting C.O. in virtually any situation. He is the principal enlisted conductor of the band and must possess administrative knowledge and skill. The Enlisted Bandleader of the 6th Army Band is SGM Ronald Corey, an accomplished bandsman for nearly 30 years.

While the Enlisted Bandleader is the principle enlisted musical administrator, the duties of 1SG are often performed by another senior NCO, in this case, SFC John Call. The 1SG is the chief enlisted administrator of the band and also serves as a performing Bandsman.

A fourth and very vital position in the 6th Army Band is that of Drum Major, SFC Walter Nail. He is the on-field leader of the band and bears great responsibility in parades and military ceremonies.

Since manpower shortages and budgetary pressures have effected all Army units, many Army Bands have been eliminated or reduced in size. Therefore, today's Army Bandsman must be, above all, a versatile musician able to perform and direct music of many different styles and on more than one instrument.

Hopefully, this brief glimpse at the 6th Army Band will clear up some misconceptions that some may have had regarding its function on the Presidio. In coming weeks, the **Star Presidian** will carry news of upcoming 6th Army Band engagements and it is hoped you will take the opportunity to see the Presidio's "soldier-musicians" in action.



Sp5 Chris Platt leads 6th Army Band Jazz Ensemble in a performance at the Petaluma Air Show.

photo by SSG Pat Casey



# Fun Day

The Presidio's **FUN DAY**, also known as the **First Annual Community Softball Tournament** will begin at 9:30 a.m. tomorrow morning at the **Fort Scott Softball Field (next to the Bowling Alley)**.

The 6th Army Band will be there to entertain you, while Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester officially begins the ceremonies by tossing out the first ball.

Also provided tomorrow will be the volleyball and basketball competitions starting at ten a.m. Join in on the human tug-a-war between the men and the women. Starting time will be 1:30 p.m.

Fun for the children will begin at 11:30. Races for children to participate in are as follows: Kangaroo, Shuttle, Shoe, Box, Wheelbarrow, Summersalt, Balloon, Three Legged, Spoon and Disc Throw.

Come join in on the fun!

## DUNK TANK SCHEDULE

|                |                                               |
|----------------|-----------------------------------------------|
| 10:00 - 10:15: | COL. John D. Hamilton, Commander, Presidio    |
| 10:15 - 10:30: | SFC Hetzer, TRN SGT, HQS Co., Presidio        |
| 10:30 - 10:45: | LTC Moore, Inspector General, PSF             |
| 10:45 - 11:00: | SFC Charles Williams, DCST (TM&E) 6th US Army |
| 11:00 - 11:15: | CPT. Carey, Co. Commander, 170th MP Co., PSF  |
| 11:15 - 11:30: | CPT. Taylor, Co. Commander, 163rd MP Co., PSF |
| 11:30 - 11:45: | MSG Fernandez, NOIC, 504th MP BN, SZ Sec, PSF |
| 11:45 - 12:00: | Don Adams, Manager Presidio Officers Club     |

# Letter to the Editor

Suppose you were an enlisted member. You served four decorous admirable years. You received numerous letters of appreciation, recommendations, early promotions, supervisory positions, scored above the average soldier in all written examinations and ratings, sought and achieved academic improvements and carried out all military duties in the utmost efficient manner. You were well liked and respected by your co-workers and supervisors.

At this point of your life you have seriously contemplated separating from active duty. Unfortunately, since you are mentally and physically competent, you do not qualify for the criteria established under the army regulations. To attain an honorable discharge with your deserved benefits is almost an improbability.

To centralize on the situation the specifications of the options are: (1) become a habitual drug user (2) become overweight (3) become pregnant (4) become an alcoholic (5) become an agoraphobic (6) become a homosexual (7) become mentally or physically disabled or unstable (8) become negligent with financial responsibilities.

In order to receive a release from the service you are required to be something you're not, something less commendable, something to stipulate an involuntary discharge. In essence, you must be convicted.

What about your contract, commitment, your obligation? What about marriage? Isn't that a written contract, a commitment, an obligation? What about those sacred vows "till death do us part?" What about the surge of divorces? What about our priests and sisters who have made the infamous exodus from the house of worship? What about the transformation to the laity? Let us not forget the middle aged successful business men and women who have launched off into another career.

What about your obligation to the army? What about your moral obligations to yourself? "To err is human" and it is every American's right to exercise our freedom of choice. To search for our "pursuit of happiness" in our democratic "government for and by the people."

Sgt. Angie Salsbury

# Ramblin' Sam



**Do you feel that you are being used to your fullest potential here at the Presidio?**



**Lt. Col. Andrew Bergeron, Ch. Presidio Aviation Div., HAFB** — "Yes, I would say so. As Chief of Aviation, I have been given tasks and responsibilities commensurate with my background and interest. I feel my total effort is worthwhile."



**1st Sgt. Robert Abrams, Med. Co. C, LAMC** — "Sometimes I do, and sometimes I don't. I have a difficult time getting the cooperation I need from the different activities on post, to do a good job."

**Sp4 Allen Butler, Vehicle Registration, 163rd MP Co.** — "No. My battalion is over staffed and there is a mismanagement of people. The NCOs and Officers are numerous and as a result we have more supervisors than workers."



**SFC Clarence Thurmond, NCOIC of AWOL Apprehension, 163rd MP Co.** — "In my case, yes. I'm dealing with a new position - AWOL Apprehension. My job is to reorganize and to set up the functional pattern in my field for the Bay Area and 40 counties of Northern California. I'm being utilized to the maximum."



**Lt. Col. Bruce Blake, Inspector, 6th Army IG Office** — "I don't feel that I am being used to my full potential, so, obviously, no. The type of job I am in now is one that you have little flexibility in what you are doing. I must inspect by checklist rules and there's not much of a career challenge. I would much rather be a battalion commander with an infantry battalion. This in no way means that there is a problem with my superiors. It is a problem with the system that I have to work with."



**Sp4 Jackie Tolliver, Clerk, Distribution Center** — "No, because I'm working in the message center doing a what not job. There's no future in what I am doing now."

**Sp4 Karen Unruh, Biological Sciences Assistant, LAIR** — "Yes, I am. The work I am doing now is significant. We're doing a field test on a skin disorder, and so, I feel fulfilled."



# Troop Talk

Spent a lot of time with the stringers this week. Things are picking up and the Star Presidian seems to be getting more input than ever. That's really great! Hope you'll continue the calls and the submissions.

The publicity chairwoman for the **EM Wives Club** called me to tell you that they are holding a bake sale at LAMC (downstairs next to the PX area) at 9 a.m. Their regular Monthly Social Meeting will be held that evening in the Rec Center. Members will be displaying examples of handcraft. Interested in joining ladies? Well, they'll be glad to have you!

The **170th MP Co.** reports the arrival of **Sgt. James Schaalle**. Welcome. Departing for Germany are **PFC Raymond Muller** and **Sgt. Terry Schellinger**.

**D Co., 864th Engrs.** said goodbye to **SSgt. Carl Hadock** who is off to Alaska, **Sp4 Larry Boks** who ETSed, **Sp5 Jesus Mero** and **Sp5 Paul Kinser** who PCSed to Germany. New arrivals from Germany are **Sp5 William Tolliver** and **Sgt. Allen Dvork**. New from Ft. Ord, CA are **Sp4 Richard French** and **Sgt. Rojas Salazar**. Promos to Sp4 were awarded to **Lawrence Brown**, **Randy Grayson**, **James McElroy**, **Annibal Media**. **Gary Runner**, and **Billy Williams**. Acting Jacks were awarded to **Thomas Vester** and **James Sartori**. **Sp4 Donald Hidden** just returned from TDY. **Sp4 Gilbert Rucker** is off for the same place.

Take care all!

# Log Cabin news

Monday, October 2 - Big Screen Football "**Cowboys vs Redskins**" Free Door Prizes and Snacks.

Wednesday, October 4 - **RON'S DISCO INFERNO** - original disco music. Hear the sounds that are packing discotheques world-wide.

Thursday, October 5 and Friday, October 6 - **DOC WEBB'S SUPER SOUL DISCO SHOW**. Funky but nice.

Saturday, October 7 - **TOP 50 HITS WITH THE "RECORD EXPRESS"**.

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# Sports at a Glance

by Bob Gascon

## FLAG FOOTBALL SURPRISE OF THE WEEK: 163rd MP Co - 28 LAIR - 20

LAIR suffered their first defeat of the season when the MILITARY POLICEMEN of the 163rd MP Co and HHD 504th MP Bn, winless in four games, played the part of the spoilers and knocked LAIR out of the top position in the league. The MP's scored first when quarterback **FIFIELD** hit running back **WHITE** in the end zone from 24 yards out. **WHITE'S** kick for the extra point was good and the MP's were ahead 8-0. In the second period, LAIR's quarterback **PETERSON** threw a 16 yard pass to **BECKET** for a touchdown. Kick by **DAVIS** was good to tie the score. Half time score 8 to 8. The MP's regained the lead 14 - 8 in the third period on a 19 yard pass from quarterback **FIFIELD** to **ISOM**. A 70 yard run back on an intercepted pass by the MP's **MURPHY** in the final period spelled doom for LAIR as the MP's increased their lead 20 to 8. LAIR fought back and scored two quick touchdowns on quarterback **PETERSON'S** 24 yard run and a **PETERSON** pass to **McDONALD** two minutes later good for 34 yards and a score. **DAVIS** kicked for the extra point and split the uprights for a 20 - 20 tie with less than 60 seconds to play. Following LAIR's kick-off quarterback **FIFIELD** let one fly for 51 yards to **MURPHY** for the go-ahead score and victory for the 163rd/504th MILITARY POLICEMEN.



## 864th ENGINEERS - 20 CORPS OF ENGINEERS - 12

A 60 yard run back on an intercepted pass by **RICE** in the first period and a 14 yard pass from **COFFIE** to **MILEY** in the second period was all the 864th ENGRS needed for their second win of the season as they defeated the winless COPRS OF ENGRS 20 - 12. In the third period 864th scored again, this time on a 15 yard pass from **HAMILTON** to **EMRESON**. CORPS OF ENGRS scored twice in the final period for their 12 points.

## LAMC #1 - 24 LAIR - 14

In the feature game of the week, LAMC #1 reestablished themselves as the team to beat after regaining the top position in the PSF Intramural Flag Football League by running over LAIR 24 - 14. Scoring 15 quick points in the first period on a 24 yard pass from tailback **NAPPER** to **GIBSON** and a 67 yard run back by **WEINSTEIN** on an intercept pass had LAIR playing catch up football. LAIR's quarterback **PETERSON** ran for 24 yards in the second period for their first score and a successful try for point by **DAVIS** narrowed the score 16 to 8 at half time. Late in the third period **PETERSON** hit **FLEMING** in the end zone for another 6 points. The try for point was good to tie the score however, LAIR had an extra man on the field to nullify the score. The second try from 33 yards failed. Score LAMC #1 - 16, LAIR - 14. The final score by LAMC #1 came on a five yard pass from quarterback **RANDOLPH** to **WIENSTEIN** with less than 10 seconds remaining in the game.

## FBI - 16 USACC - 0

Watch out for the men of the FBI as they keep on rolling over their opponents. This time it was the men of the Communication Center. A safety in the first period and touchdown passes from quarterback **RICH SMITH** to **NEWPPER** and **MORSE** was all the offensive power they needed as their defensive unit led by **"BIG ED KURINSKY"** scored their second shut out of the season.

## 170th MP Co - 24 USACC - 12

Quarterback **ULRICH** of the 170th MP Co., three touchdown passes was too much for USACC to overcome. USACC **"EASLY"** scored the first touchdown of the game when he scotted 39 yards up the middle of the field to put USACC ahead 6 to 0. **ULRICH'S** 18 yard pass to **BURTON** and **HORTON'S** successful try for point put the MP's ahead at half time 8 to 6. No scoring by both teams in the third period as both defensive teams controlled the game. In the final period **ULRICH** hit **KNUDSON** for 22 yards and **HORTON** for 48 yards and a 24 - 6 lead. USACC's final score came late in the final period on a 1 yard pass from **EASLEY** to **RUSH**.

## USAG - 22 LAMC #2 - 18

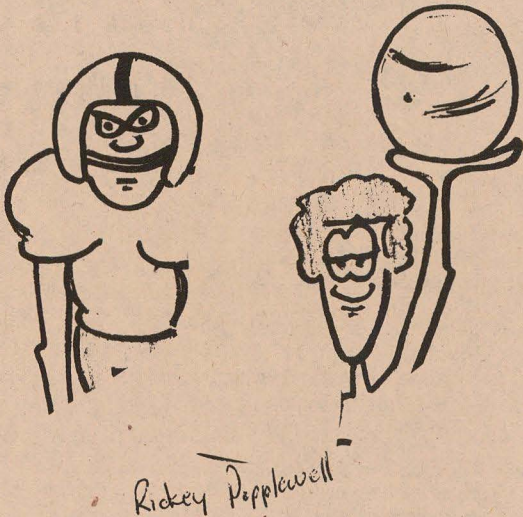
**GARRISON** is back on the winning column after two straight defeats, as they handed LAMC #2 their second set-back of the season. Scoreless in the first period **GARRISON** scored twice in the second period as quarterback **JONES** hit **BIRD** for a 25 yard scoring play and a 40 yard bomb to **LEWIS**. LAMC #2 scored on a 3 yard pass from **RAMSBURGER** to **BURTON**. Half time score 14 to 6. **GARRISON** increased their lead 22 to 6 in the third period when **BIRD** scored on a 15 yard run. Two long bombs by **RAMSBURGER** good for 36 yards to **WEST** and 40 yards to **BURTON** in the final period narrowed the score 22 to 18. With less than one minute to play LAMC #2 was down on **GARRISON'S** 10 yard line but failed to score on four attempts as time ran out.

## FEATURE GAME OF THE WEEK:

Battle of the Military Policemen: 170th MP Co. vs 163rd MP Co. Thursday October 5 6 p.m., PX Field.

## TEAM STANDINGS

| TEAM           | WON | LOST |
|----------------|-----|------|
| LAMC#1         | 5   | 1    |
| FBI            | 4   | 1    |
| LAIR           | 4   | 2    |
| USAG           | 4   | 2    |
| LAMC #2        | 3   | 2    |
| 170th MP Co.   | 2   | 2    |
| 864th Engrs    | 2   | 3    |
| USACC          | 1   | 4    |
| 163rd MP Co    | 1   | 4    |
| Corps of Engrs | 0   | 5    |



## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL COACH

The Athletic Department is now accepting applications for personnel with experience to coach the Post Female Basketball team. You can do this by stopping by the Post Gym.

The nucleus from the team that finished in the runner-up spot in last year's Western Region FORSCOM Championship should be returning to vie for positions on this year's team. We can anticipate that practice should get started in late October. All active duty female personnel that are interested in trying out for the team should keep their eye open for advertisement as to when your applications will be accepted by the Sports Branch.

# Ed Center news

## ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE

Beginning, intermediate, and advanced ESL classes are now meeting every morning and Monday through Wednesday afternoon at the Army Education Center Bldg. 1216 Ft. Scott, Presidio. To enroll or obtain more information, call 4419/2974 between 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m. on Monday, Tuesday, or Wednesday.

This advanced class is designed for non-native speakers of English to help them develop the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills they will need for college. If you would like to improve your English in order to enter college or advance in your job, enroll now by calling 4419 or 2974 between 12:30 and 2 p.m. on Monday through Wednesday at the Army Education Center Bldg. 1216 Ft. Scott.

**US Citizenship Course:** This course is designed to help foreign-born students prepare for the US citizenship test. Active duty military, their adult dependents, and civilian personnel who work at the Presidio can enroll in the course. Class will begin immediately and continue on an open basis throughout the Fall. Classes will be held Monday thru Friday 1 to 2 p.m. There is no fee for the course. For further information or to enroll, call the Education Center, ext. 4445/2974.

**Everyday Finance - A Class In Consumer Mathematics:** Brush up on your budget mathematics by learning about personal and family financial record keeping, credit, interest, banking services and expense records. This money management-math clinic will be held at the Ft. Scott Education Center Tuesday and Thursday 1400 to 6:30 p.m. beginning October 17 and continuing throughout the Fall with a limited enrollment. Diagnostic testing is available. This course is open to military and adult dependents and civilians. There is no fee. For further information call ext. 4445/2974.

## TEST PREPARATION CLASS

Are you college bound and planning to take the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT) or the American College Test (ACT)? Would you like to earn college credit by taking the College Level Examination Program (CLEP) tests? If you need to brush up on your English grammar and composition skills to score better on these tests or to enroll in a college level English Composition class, this course is for you. An instructor will be available at the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216, every Tuesday and Thursday from 2:30 to 5 p.m. beginning October 2 to help you with your English skills. During this time classes will be conducted in small groups or on individualized basis according to the needs of the students. You need not sign up for the entire 2½ hours a day to benefit from the instruction, nor do you have to sign up for both days. Come for as much time as you can. The courses are given to active duty military personnel, their adult dependents and DAC's on a space available basis. For more information or to sign up for the classes, call the Education Center here at ext. 4445.

## TWO GERMAN HEADSTART CLASSES ARE STARTING

To give more military, dependent and civilian personnel on orders or alerted for Germany an opportunity to participate in a beginning German language course, the Education Center is conducting two German Headstart classes in October.

The evening class will be held Monday & Wednesday, 6-8 p.m., October 2 to December 11, at the Fort Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216. The lunch-hour class will be held Tuesday & Thursday, 11:30 - 1:30 p.m. October 10 - December 14, at the LAMC Education Center, Bldg. 1007.



# Crime Scene

Residents of Presidio are reminded by the Office of the Provost Marshal to insure that their personal property is secured inside their quarters when not in use/or needed. Bicycles are a prime target for thieves to zero in on.

Once a bicycle is stolen, it is usually dismantled, making identification almost impossible. Expensive garden equipment should not be left outside the quarters, since such items have been known to disappear. Decorative ceramics left outside of quarters have been known to be stolen in the past, therefore it is recommended not to leave decorative ceramics outside quarters unsecured, since our local thieves have demonstrated a taste for such items, even though one such ceramic item weighed 50 lbs.

# Join Army Reserve

To those of you who are leaving the Active Army soon, getting back into the civilian world is a big challenge.

There's a job to be sought, new contacts to be explored and, in some cases, a re-location to be made. The transition from military to civilian life is not exactly without problems.

And soldier, it can be pretty cold outside.

Probably your biggest adjustments lie in being on your own again in a competitive job market and coping with a rising cost of living. This is where your years in the Active Component can be of help.

In these times of inflation, a second job has become a way of life for many civilians who are struggling to pay the butcher, the baker, the automobile maker. With your military background, you have an edge on others seeking a part-time job by joining the Army Reserve.

As a Reservist, you may have an edge over others in obtaining a good, full-time civilian job, too. Contact with fellow Reservists who have influence in the community can very well lead to employment prospects.

Providing you enlist within 30 months of leaving the Active Force, you will probably qualify to keep your stripes and retain your present pay grade. For example, a Spec 5 with 6 years of Active service can earn over \$1,200 the first year in an Army Reserve unit. For this supplementary income, you are required to attend training 16 hours a month, usually over a weekend, and to attend two weeks of Annual Training, when your unit usually reports to an Army training facility.

The Army Reserve makes other benefits available, as well, which can affect your personal economy. For example, you can retain your low-cost Serviceman's Group Life Insurance. As you know, it now costs only \$3 a month and provides up to \$20,000 coverage. Try to beat that premium rate! Former Active service people also keep their PX privileges, on a limited basis. Commissary privileges are also extended to Reserve personnel during Annual Training.

Then, there are retirement benefits in the Reserve. Accrued retirement credits can entitle a retiree to several hundred dollars a month after 20 years of service, starting at age 60.

But, there's more to the Army Reserve than what you get out of it. It's what you are able to put into it that provides much satisfaction. The Reserve is a vital part of the total defense team. As more and more units train with their Active counterparts, you may have been an eye witness to the readiness and dedication of Reservists during monthly drills and at Annual Training. Now you have an opportunity to more than witness, but actually take part in, this training on which our National safety depends.

The Army Reserve also lets you apply your training to an important peacetime mission — that of helping your community in voluntary programs that benefit friends and neighbors. These projects are varied in nature, from building playgrounds to helping the aged.

If you are interested in learning more about being a citizen-soldier in the Army Reserve, stop by our office. We'll be pleased to talk to you. Your Reserve Component Career Counselor is SFC Carolyn Chand, located at Presidio Army Welcome Center, Bldg. #227, or, call her at 561-5259 for more information.

# News Break

## Presidio players

Tryouts for the opening production of the Presidio Players' 12th Season, "LOVERS AND OTHER STRANGERS," will be held on Wednesday and Thursday, October 4 and 5 from 7-10 p.m. at the Presidio Playhouse. Casting calls for 6 men and 6 women, ages 18 to late 50's. For an appointment time on one of the above dates, call 561-3992 from 1-5 p.m. Prepared auditions are not necessary. Readings will be from the script and previous theatrical experience is not necessary for the number of varied characters. Volunteer technical positions are also open in all phases of production - scenery, lighting, costuming, stage managing, properties, etc. Participation is open to anyone interested. Why not join in the fun and learn or develop skills at the same time?

"LOVERS AND OTHER STRANGERS" will open at the Playhouse on November 10 and play for 4 weekends through December 2. The second production of the season will be "THE MIRACLE WORKER," the stirring dramatization of the real-life story of Helen Keller. Casting tryouts will be held during the last week of November and several parts for girls will be available, in addition to the adult roles and the starring part of Helen Keller as a child. The Playhouse Season will continue with auditions for a musical comedy in the new year. Among the musicals under consideration for productions are "THE SECRET LIFE OF WALTER MITTY," "THE BOY FRIEND," "FOLLIES," and the recent release, "THE ROBBER BRIDEGROOM."

## Marathon race

"The World's Most Beautiful Race" will be run through San Francisco's most scenic areas as the first San Francisco Mayor's Cup Marathon is held October 29, sponsored by The Guardsmen.

Runners from all over the country are expected to enter the race scheduled to begin at Treasure Island at 7:00 a.m. The marathon race will follow a course over the Bay Bridge, through Fisherman's Wharf, past Fort Mason, the Marina Green, and on into historic Fort Point, up past the Golden Gate Bridge through the Presidio to the Palace of Legion of Honor, south along the Pacific Ocean to Lake Merced, to finish in Golden Gate Park's polo field.

A pre-registration deadline has been set for October 23 for the Pacific Association A.A.U. sanctioned event. All runners must have 1978 A.A.U. cards. Awards will be given in overall, men's and women's age groups and military categories.

The Guardsmen, a service organization of business and professional men will use the proceeds to benefit the mentally handicapped. For race information contact their office, 12 Geary Street, San Francisco, or call, (415) 989-6402.

## Cake decorating

Will begin October 12, Thursday evenings, 7 - 9 p.m. for a six week duration, \$7.50 fee per person. Instructor: Diane Granger. This class will be held at the Post Crafts Shop, Bldg. 122. Stop by or call for registration or call 4497.

## Youth tennis class

A Dependent Youth Activities Tennis Class is being offered by Recreation Services for youngsters ages 8 thru 16. Lessons will begin Monday, October 2, from 4 to 5 p.m. at Infantry Terrace tennis court.

The class is scheduled every Monday and Wednesday until November 29. The cost of the class will be \$15 per student for the entire 18 lessons. Fees will be refunded only for insufficient registration. The class must have a minimum of 12 youths to start; each student must bring one can of new tennis balls to the first meeting of the class. Tennis rackets will be provided.

Registration and fees can be paid at the Recreation Services Office, Bldg. 122, between the hours of 8 a.m. and noon. For more information, call the DYA Office, Ext. 5143.

## Rec Center news

**What's Doing at the Recreation Center.** On Sunday, October 8, from 3 thru 7 p.m. there will be a **Gospel Music Extravaganza** featuring several well known Bay Area Gospel Singers and Musicians. **U.S.C.G. Boating Safety Class** - Come on up to the center and learn the basic skills of boating and seamanship. This class meets Monday at 8 p.m. **Disco Dance Night** - Features Bobby "G" the Soul Disco Man. Lots of good sounds to dance to and a fine light show every Wednesday at 9 p.m. thru midnight. **Piano Class** - Piano and violin classes are now being scheduled to begin October 3. Classes are available on Tuesdays thru Thursdays from 2 p.m. thru 9 p.m. **Ballroom Dancing Class** - A ballroom dancing class is being scheduled to begin on October 19. The class will meet every Thursday thereafter from 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Sign up now while there is still room available in the class. **Pool Class** - sharpen up your game of pool on Thursday nights at 7:00 p.m. with our fine pool instructor. **Sewing Class** - Learn how to make your own clothes in our sewing class on Thursdays at 7:00 p.m. San Francisco 49er tickets are still available (but going fast) for several games. They are 49ers vs. Cincinnati, October 1, 49ers vs. St. Louis November 12, 49ers vs. Los Angeles November 19, and 49ers vs. Pittsburgh November 27. For additional information about Center activities please call Ext. 2000 daily AFTER 2 p.m.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, Sep. 29, Which Way Is Up? (R), 7 p.m.**

**Saturday, Sept. 30, Matilda (G), 2 and 7 p.m.**

**Sunday, Oct. 1, Heaven Can Wait (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Monday, Oct. 2, Heaven Can Wait (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Tuesday, Oct. 3, The Enforcer (R), 7 p.m.**

**Wednesday, Oct. 4, Our Winning Season (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Thursday, Oct. 5, The Evil (R), 7 p.m.**

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**

**Friday, Sept. 29, Carrie (R), 7 p.m.**

**Monday, Oct. 2, The Bad News Bears Go To Japan (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Tuesday, Oct. 3, The Cheap Detective (PG), 7 p.m.**

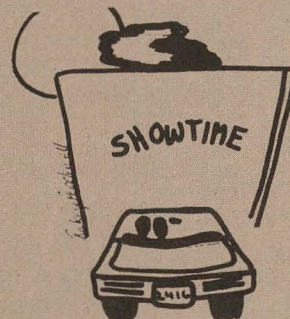
**Wednesday, Oct. 4, Annie Hall (PG), 7 p.m.**

**Thursday, Oct. 5, Jennifer (PG), 7 p.m.**

**JENNIFER (PG)** A quiet reserved girl from the hills of West Virginia is accepted on a scholarship at an exclusive girls school. The humiliation, anger and pain she is subjected to turns into a desire for revenge. Only God, or the Devil can help those who dare oppose her. Some elements of violence may be too intense for children.

**MATILDA (G)** This is the story of a boxing kangaroo. Promoter Elliott Gould sees the possibilities of Matilda, but ASPCA agent Karen Carlson doesn't. When Matilda's boxing skills become a threat, underworld boss Harry Guardino steps in. Sportswriter Robert Mitchum keeps up with the Kangaroo's progress.

**PROGRAM SYNOPSIS**  
**THE CHEAP DETECTIVE (PG)** When the partner of detective Peter Falk is found shot to death in a seedy hotel in San Francisco, Falk finds himself plunged into a seemingly never ending puzzle of multiple identities, missing persons, double-crosses and a highly prized 'object d'art'. Some material may not be suitable for children.





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## Marriage: The need for outside help.

by Ted Elisee

### Scene #1

"Damn you, Sarah. I'm sick of this sh--!"  
"You're sick of it? How about me? That's all I ever hear - you're sick of this and you're sick of that. Don't you think I'm tired of all this, too?" Tears come to Sarah's eyes as she slowly closes the bedroom door. Sarah will spend another night alone in bed. John will sleep on the couch.

### Scene #2

"You spent how much money?" asked Rachel.  
"Forty-two dollars," said John. "They had a neat sale on pants. Don't I look great?" he added.  
Rachel just shook her head. Forty-two dollars spent, and a car payment due, she thought. I can't believe he did this, she thought again.  
John looked at himself in the mirror and felt proud. "I'm looking good," he told himself.  
Rachel moved out to the kitchen and tried to decide how she was going to get through the month with a forty-two dollar dent in her budget. Was it worth it, she wondered?

### Scene #3

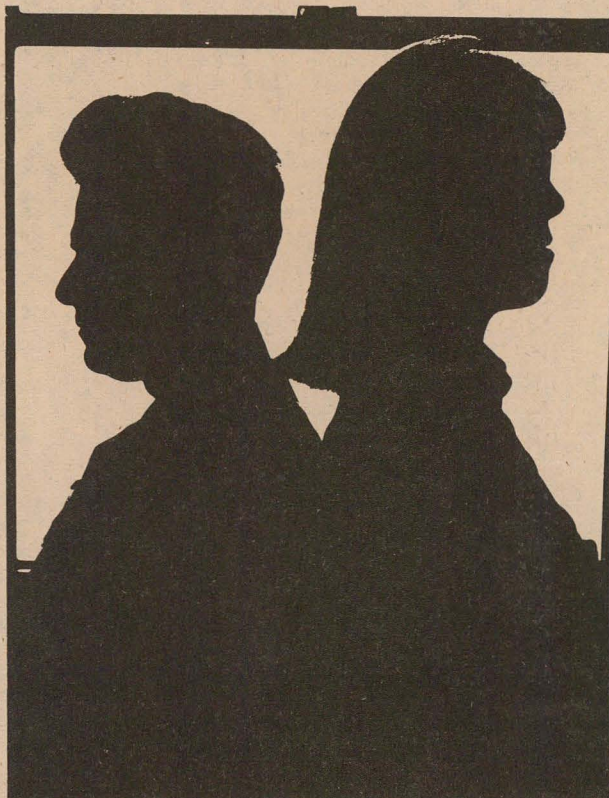
"I'll show you!" said Ethel. She picked up her Scotch and gulped it down swiftly. "The only way to get through to you is to go out and let myself have a good time," she screamed.  
Jim had been out most of the night again. This time Ethel wanted her turn - and so the vicious cycle of hurt continues.

The situations presented in the scenes above may appear familiar to the reader.

Perhaps you know a couple who sounds like one of the above. Perhaps something drastic is going on in your own home.

If a couple recognizes a severe tension existing in their own home and chooses to do nothing about it, that's their business - BUT - there is an alternative that a couple may take to help heal the wounds of battle, and, hopefully, develop a lasting peace.

Chaplain Al Greenberg, Ch, Pastoral Services for LAMC recently commented that ideally most couples would like to have a stress-free marriage, but of course, that is really almost impossible. Father Greenberg went on to say that long separations in the military are often a common cause for discomfort in a marriage. Other couples may find that doing too much together can cause friction on the home front. The couple may need to find outside interests to channel frustrations and keep away from the mate for a while.



A child may strike out at teachers or start fires in order to express his or her anger against the parents' constant bickering.

When the time comes for intervention on the part of an outsider, one or both parties will usually recognize that need. Recognition of the need for a go-between is a beginning phase of lasting peace.

Father Greenberg suggested that perhaps a trusted friend could be of help. He went on to suggest that a favorite doctor could possibly help, also, and of course, a clergyman. "Both parties must agree to be part of the problem-solving process," said Greenberg. Avoidance, how to stay out of the way of the problem, is an important aspect to discuss when involved with a marriage counseling situation.

When asked what a couple could expect if they should come to see him about marital problems, Father Greenberg said, "I would first make sure that both people would agree that they have a problem. Then I would ask them what they would like to do about it. Next, we would develop an agenda to solve the problem. I would ask what goal they would have in rectifying their situation. When this goal was established, I would make assessments and make sugges-

tions on how they could get back together peacefully. Sometimes a clergyman will not be the one to help a couple," Father added. "If this is the case, I always refer the couple to someone else."

That someone else could be Lt. David Boyd of Social Works Services, LAMC, or Cpt. Robert Schneider, Department of Psychiatry, LAMC. These men offer marriage counseling programs through their separate departments.

Lt. David Boyd, Chief, Health Care Planning Team, has involved himself in marriage counseling sessions. Said Lt. Boyd, "I try to deal with the couple on an impartial, unbiased basis concerning the problem or problems they present. I try to have the couple present their complaints or discomforts in simple sentences. The problems presented become the 'focal points' of our discussion. If the couple should stray to points other than the problem at hand, I guide them back to the problem originally expressed. After logical discussion, we look for solutions or alternatives to the problem."

Lt. Boyd went on to say that although many of their cases are acquired from referrals, he wanted to stress that clients can come in on a walk-in basis at any time. He also stated that the number of times the couple would have to come to sessions would be entirely up to them, and to the therapist. Only the couple and circumstances could indicate how long it would take for the couple to resolve existing tensions.

Capt. Robert Schneider, Psychologist, Dept. of Psychiatric Services, LAMC, is another contact for marriage help.

Said Capt. Schneider, "We use the systems approach. We try first to mete out the problem, and then go from there. Sometimes we talk to the individuals separately, and sometimes as a couple. Also, we have the capability of handling a family for sessions."

"When we handle a family, it is to make sure that all the individuals involved are able to express their anger or frustrations and develop ways of eliminating the stress situation," he added.

Some of the techniques that are used by Schneider and other counselors in the department are: dialogue, free expression and role playing. From these techniques, the psychologists are able to determine where the hurt and anger has begun.

Capt. Schneider suggested that as soon as a person feels different about his happiness in a marriage, then that is the time for a marriage counseling session. "Too many times," said Schneider, "a person will let anger and hurt build up. This makes the problem of coming to terms with the marriage partner all the more difficult."

It was encouraging to note that 65 percent of all couples who utilize the intervention of a counselor in the Psychiatric Services Department, leave the sessions with some success for their efforts. The amount of success experienced varies from couple to couple, but at least some good is resulting from their interaction.

Also available for marriage counseling are Chaplain Gary Blegsted, and Father Bede Wilks at Hamilton AFB Chapel. Said Chaplain Blegsted, "Chaplains are always glad to help a couple rectify their problems, but many times they are not adequately trained to fully deal with the needs of the couple. When this problem occurs, I usually refer the couple to the Novato Human Needs Center. The important thing to point out is that Father Wilks and I are available to the community."

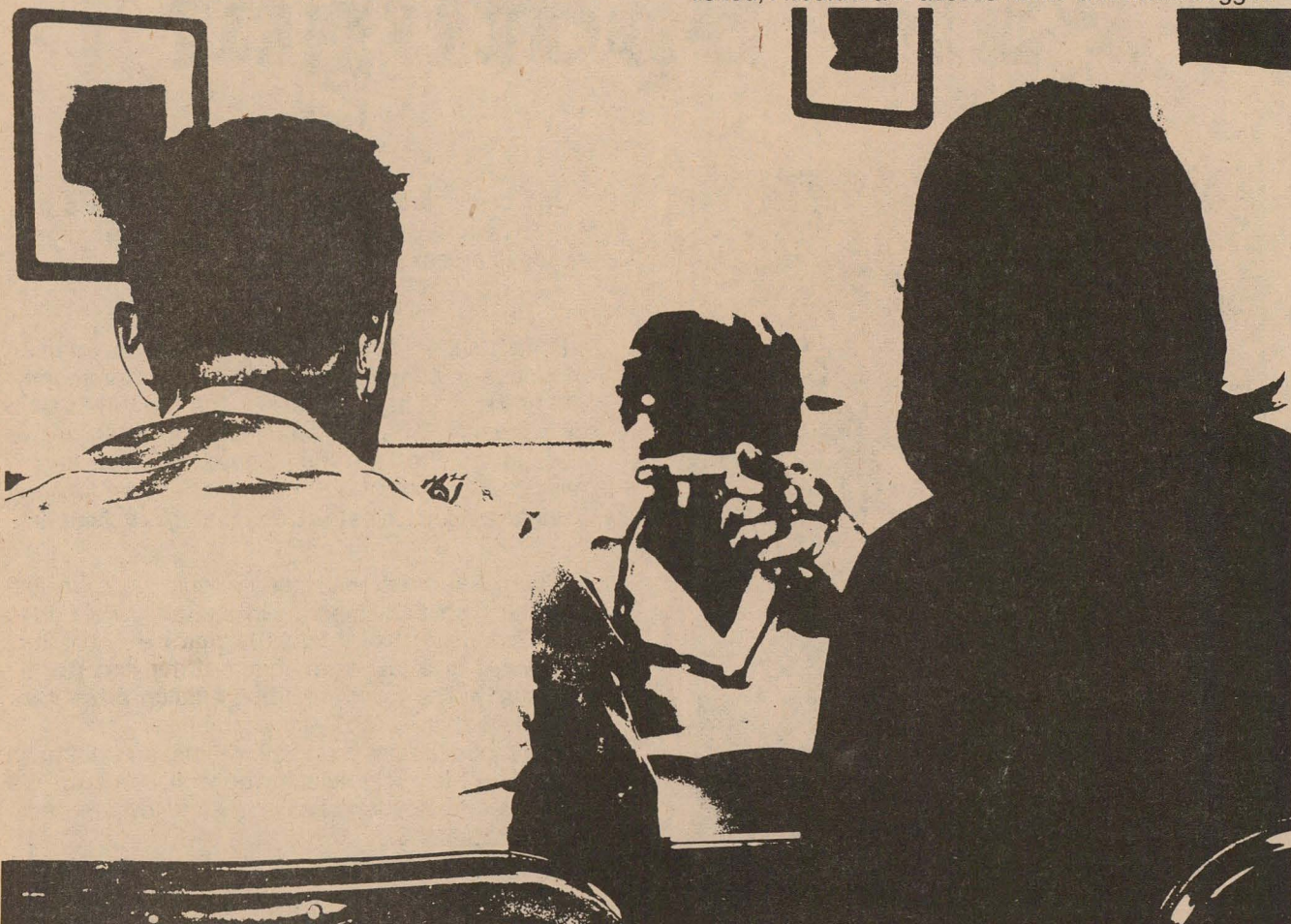
A stress-free marriage would be ideal, but, obviously, not always existent.

Dr. Carl Jung, a noted psychologist, said, "Seldom, or perhaps never, does a marriage develop into an individual relationship smoothly and without crises; there is no coming to consciousness without pain."

The problems of every day life usually will not interfere with a good marriage, but poor habits and attitude could be the beginning of a major war and an end for diplomatic relations within a household.

When such a severe breakdown of communications and trade relations exists, it is time for intervention. It is then up to the couple to decide how to begin the process of traveling the road towards a lasting peace.

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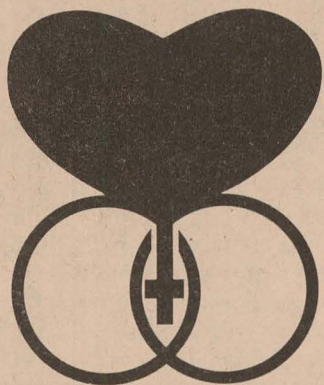
# In love?

by Ted Elisee

Marriage Encounter is a movement that is designed to give married couples the opportunity to examine their lives together — their weaknesses and strong points, their attitudes towards each other, their joys and frustrations — and to do so openly and honestly in a face-to-face, heart-to-heart encounter with each other.

The emphasis of this program is on communication. It is not a retreat or a marriage clinic. The purpose of the weekend encounter is to make an already good marriage better.

Said Lt. Col. Joe McGarry, Ch. LAMC Personnel, "Something deep happens to you on a Marriage Encounter weekend. It is so difficult to explain. One thing I can say for sure is that everyone who makes a weekend has come back with a positive feeling."



When asked about her reaction to Marriage Encounter, Lt. Col. McGarry's wife, Nancy, said, "I found that we were caught up in everything, like the kids, a job, committee work, and just found no time to work on our own relationship. The weekend gave us time to think and become aware of ourselves again. Suddenly, Joe and I really became aware of how much we really love each other. We found ourselves really wanting to find the time to communicate on a day to day basis."

Marriage Encounter is not for marriages in trouble. It is for those who are in love and want to love even more deeply.

Although the weekends are sponsored by religious sects, it is not a worship type weekend. The emphasis for the weekend is on the couple, and not on a God.

If you are interested in this movement of "people who are in love" you may contact the following individuals:

For Catholics — Joe and Nancy McGarry, 561-2718 or Howie and Clara Davidson, 668-1065; for Lutherans — Dick and Ruth Burrows, 1937 Yosemite Dr., Milpitas, CA 95035; for Presbyterians — George and Laura Manthy, 408-356-5053; for Episcopalians — Frank and Dessa Halasz, 447-8094; for Jewish — Hy and Thelma Ramm, 253-7037.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Saturday, Oct. 7, Godzilla vs. The Cosmic Monster (G), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 7, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 8, Hooper (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 9, Hooper (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 10, American Graffiti (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct. 11, American Graffiti (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Oct. 12, Youngblood (R), 7 p.m.

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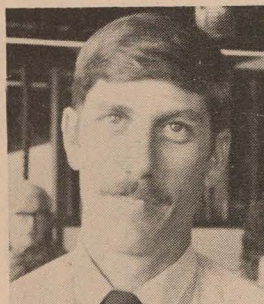
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# Ramblin' Sam

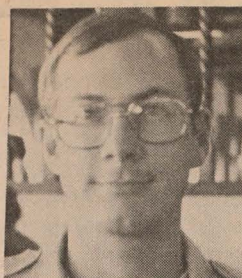


Sp5 Gary Johnson, Ophthalmology Specialist, LAMC — "Good benefits. This is one way I can serve my country. I have been provided with good friends and with good duty."



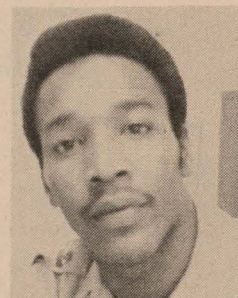
Sp4 Harold Simpson, Records Specialist, COM-PACT — "I know it is an old cliché, but I am wearing the uniform in order to protect our way of life. I appreciate what this country has done for me, and so I'm here to insure that we won't have to live like others who are less fortunate than we are."

Lt. Terry Doak, Staff Band Officer, DCSPA, 6th Army — "Because I love my country and the people in it. The Army is a good body of people who feel that their job is more than just a job."



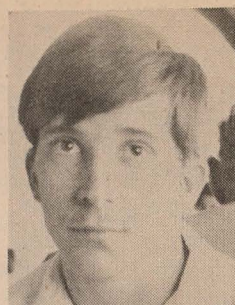
Why are you in the uniform of your country?

Sp4 Raymond Justice, Records Specialist, COM-PACT — "I feel everybody needs something to help them. A lot of people don't care and so I'm doing my part as a soldier. What I'm doing benefits me, and other people."



SSgt. Carol Drivas, ADT Special Projects, DCSPA — "I am in the uniform of my country because I am a patriot. I believe in my country, and I think it is the best in the world. The uniform gives me an identity and a feeling of self-worth."

PFC Carlotta Hoffman, Psych Technician, LAMC — "The Army has given me the chance to decide on a career. I was bored with school. The Army has given me the chance to decide about what I want to do in life."



Sp4 Kenneth Roach, Psych Technician, LAMC — "At the time I needed a job. The benefits were good and I figured if I had to join, the best time would be in peace time."

# PSF Spotlight

by Ted Elisee

One of the most outstanding characteristics that Mrs. Jo Leach, Presidio's Citizen of the Quarter, possesses is a sense of humor.

For a number of years, Mrs. Leach has devoted an enormous amount of time to the Presidio Community. She has served as President of The EM Wives Club for two years. She has volunteered to work for two years in the Presidio Thrift Shop, and most importantly, has devoted 1,379 hours of her time to Army Community Service as the Coordinator for volunteers.

When asked why she does all this work, Jo just smiled and said, "Temporary insanity." Jo went on to say, "Seriously, I think it would be great if every military wife would give just a few hours of her time to the community. The world would be a better place if we just would share a little with each other."

This reporter went on to ask whether Jo's husband minded her busy schedule. In true form, Jo just smiled and said, "My husband has learned to love an occasional omelette."

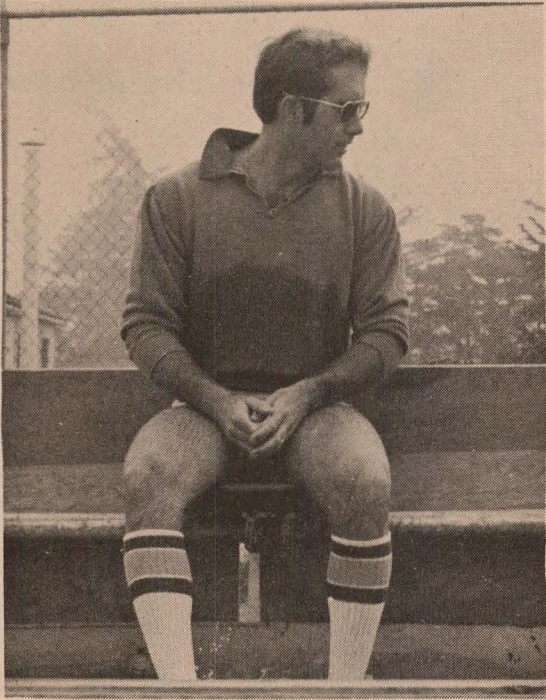
It's a pleasure to know that someone like Jo Leach is available to the Presidio Community. Congratulations, Jo Leach, Presidio Citizen of the Quarter.



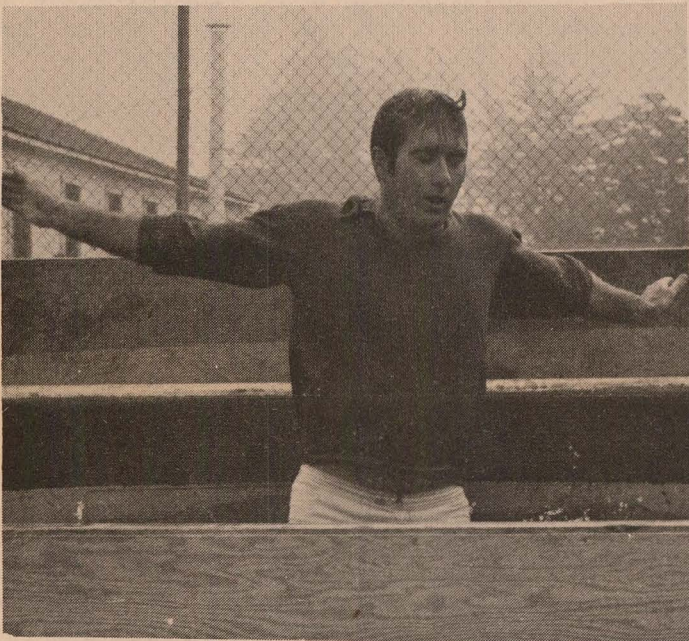
Mrs. Jo Leach



## Going!



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## Gone!



Capt. Jim Carey of the 170th MP Co. provided some excitement for the Presidio Fun Day by volunteering to sit on the Dunk Tank. The "Fun Day" was held at Ft. Scott on September 30. (Photo by Ken Juber)

## PSF Action



A Senior Citizen Fest sponsored by the San Francisco Jr. Chamber of Commerce was held here on September 30. Singer Tony Bennett paused during his appearance to say hello and give an autograph to Sp4 Debbie Miller and Sp4 Linda Spillane of the Post Public Affairs Office. (Photo by Ken Juber)



LAMC is the winner!!! This team represented LAMC at the First Annual Community Softball Tournament (Fun Day). The team won over 15 other teams competing on Ft. Scott Field. (Photo by Ken Juber)



Members of the 504th MP Bn. displayed military precision at its best on September 28. The men fired a salute to 10 British men-o-war as the ships sailed into the bay. The resounding hello from the British contingent was led by the HMS Blake, a cruiser-helicopter carrier pictured here. (Photo by Bill Malkiel)



# Sports

by Bob Gascon

## FLAG FOOTBALL RESULTS

163rd MP Co. 6 - USACC 0:  
In a game of classic defensive plays between the Military Policemen of the 163rd MP Co. and the Communicators of USACC, both teams were scoreless at the end of regulation play. In the overtime period, Quarterback **MURPHY** hit **JIM WHITE** in the end zone from 4 yards out for the 163rd's second victory in a row.

170th MP Co. 8 - 864th Engrs 6:  
Shooting for a berth in the PSFC Flag Football Championship, the Military Policemen of the 170th MP Co. continued on their winning streak at the expense of the 864th Engineers. Scoring in the first period on Quarterback **DOUGLAS ULRICH** 19 yard pass to **ROBERT KNUDSON** and a successful **PAT**, the MP's led 8 to 0. In the same period **RICKY BAZILE**'s 24 yard scoring run for the Engineers closed the gap 8 to 6 as the **PAT** was unsuccessful. The rest of the game was played in midfield as both offensive units could not muster a score.

LAMC II 24 - LAIR 6:

Scoring first on a safety, GARRISON is gearing for the Post Championship when the top four teams clash in a play-off to establish the Flag Football Champions of PSFC. USACC's **MICHAEL EASLEY**'s touchdown pass to **HARRY BELONUS** in the first period saw the Communicators establish a 6 to 2 lead. Two long runs by Quarterback **FRANK JONES** of GARRISON set up their first touchdown coming on a 6 yard pass from **JONES** to **WASHINGTON**. Half time score - GARRISON 10 - USACC 6. A fumble recovery in the air by **JOHANN BROWN** who then raced 60 yards for a touchdown was GARRISON's final score.

FBI 30 - 864th Engrs 0:  
**BIG ED GURINSKY**'s pass interception and 30 yard run for a touchdown started the FBI scoring spree as they completely demolished the 864th Engrs by a score of 30 to 0. Quarterback **RICK SMITH** provided the offensive power passing for three touchdowns which included a 19 yarder to **JEFF NEWPHER**, 13 yards to **DICK OTSTOTT** and from 16 yards out hit **DICK MILLER** in the end zone. The FBI defensive unit has allowed six opponents to score 35 points for an average of less than 6 points per game and zero points in the last ten periods played.



**RICH MILLER of the FBI is deflagged by two Garrison Defenders at the goal line. Action in the PSFC Flag Football League. (Photo by Noli Manas)**

LAMC II's 16 points in the second period was too much for LAIR to overcome. **EDDIE NOLEN** replacing Quarterback **RAMSBURGER** took charge as he fired a 50 yard pass across the field to speedster **WES LAYMAN**. Later in the same period, **EDDIE NOLEN** found **WES LAYMAN** alone again, this time from 36 yards out. **BOB VAVORO**'s 9 yard run in the third period increased LAMC's lead 24 - 0. Quarterback **RON PETERSON**'s 9 yard pass to **ELWOOD DUPP-STADT** was LAIR's only score.

USAG 16 - USACC 6:

LAMC #1 30 - CORPS OF ENGRS 0:  
Quarterback **RANDOLPH** scored four touchdowns on runs of 12, 5, 10 and 4 yards as the league leaders from LAMC #1 maintained a half game lead over the powerful men of the FBI. Showdown between these two fine teams will take place at 6:00 PM, Tuesday, October 17.

FEATURE GAME OF THE WEEK:  
Tuesday, October 10 - 7:15 p.m., PX Field, 170th MP Co. vs LAMC #1

# Crime Scene

Those of us who live on the Presidio have the best of two worlds.

We have at our fingertips the charming City of San Francisco which speaks for itself. We also have the scenic beauty of Presidio which offers its residents the availability of urban living without the drudgery of having to commute outrageous distances, which is the price so many suburbanites pay to maintain the same type of situation.

The above scene creates a special crime prevention problem in that many residents of Presidio completely forget that they are living in a large urban center, which dictates a more serious approach to protecting family members and possessions, than would be the case when living in a small suburban community.

The Presidio is an open post, which means anybody can walk or drive on the Presidio during the night or day, as many times as they desire, and take advantage of what Presidio has to offer.

Urban life means large numbers of people will live in a small area. Unfortunately whenever you have a large group of people you increase the opportunities for people who are anti-social to base their livelihood on ordinary working citizens, who don't take proper precautions in protecting their possessions.

Thieves act out their roles like any other predator, and they prey on the unsuspecting and the careless.

The Presidio gives residents the impression they are living in the countryside and some residents are not protecting themselves by securing their houses. Housebreakings have occurred on the Presidio while occupants have been inside their quarters. The predators have simply walked through open unlocked doors and stolen whatever they can get their hands on.

In summary, if you had lived in a house downtown, you would not have left your doors open and unlocked all the time for anybody to walk in.

Since Presidio is open to the general public and is part of a large urban center, residents should become security minded and protect themselves from predators by taking precautions.

Don't let the beauty of Presidio give you a false sense of security. Call 561-5011 the Provost Marshal's Crime Prevention Section, if you desire assistance on how to protect your family and possessions.

# FLASH!!

## Concert on the green

Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester, Commander, Sixth US Army, and the Sixth Army Band invite all employees of the Presidio of San Francisco and their families to a "Concert on the Green" on October 11, 11:55 a.m. - 12:40 p.m., on the Parade Ground in front of Building 38.

Bring your picnic blankets and baskets and enjoy a lunch hour of music by the Sixth Army Band.

## National Guard Day

Saturday, October 7, has been proclaimed by President Carter as National Guard Day in honor of the Army and Air National Guard for service to their communities, states and nation.

October 7 marks the 342d Birthday of the founding of what was to become the National Guard. Today the Army National Guard provides more than half the Army's combat power.

The National Guard has participated in every conflict involving the United States from the various colonial campaigns to the Vietnam War. The Guard also participates in disaster assistance in local communities after fires, floods, or earthquakes.

## Youth soccer

Registration for this year's youth soccer program will be held Saturday, October 14 at the Main Post Gymnasium from 3 to 5 p.m.

Each child will need to have the following to register: 1) Birth certificate or other proof of age (should be a copy since it must be turned in to the league and may not be returned); 2) a small photograph (head and shoulders) black & white or color, 1 inch x 1 inch which can be used to make a player's I.D. card; 3) a \$4.00 registration fee. The emphasis will be on learning the basics of the game and playing. Teams will be composed of both boys and girls and will be formed into leagues for each of these categories; under 8, under 10, under 12, under 14, under 16, and under 19 years of age. All Presidio children are encouraged to participate.

## Laity Sunday

Sunday, October 8, will be observed as Laity Sunday at the Post Chapel of Presidio. Speaker for the 11 o'clock worship service will be BG Michael N. Bakarich, Chief of Staff, Headquarters, Sixth US Army.

Special music will be given by the chapel choir. MAJ Chuck Davis will be the Laity Day Moderator.

Laity Sunday is a special day of the church year whereby emphasis is given to Laity participation in the church.

The Chapel Community and public are cordially invited to share in this dynamic day of witness.

## Ecology

**RECYCLING** Saturday for the month of October is OCTOBER 7. All residents are urged to have their newspapers and aluminum cans ready for pickup. Support the ecology effort of the PSF Recycling Center. Proceeds are divided among the Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Young Life, and Aquarius Swim Club. The Center is located in Bldg. 204 between Post HQ and the Main PX. Only newspapers and pure aluminum cans are recycled. The first Saturday of the month is the regular collection day; however, contributions may be taken to the Center where containers are available for deposit 24 hours a day, 7 days per week.



# Cash stashed (for now)

Civilian and military personnel who receive a mid-month payment may be receiving their checks a few days late, according to Department of Defense.

This comes because the Army is without a fiscal year 1979 appropriation and has not received a continuing resolution authority which would permit continuing payments. The appropriations bill has to be passed by both houses of Congress and signed by the President. The bill has passed the House of Representatives and is in progress in the Senate.

Every effort is being made at Departmental Headquarters to minimize the delay in payroll payments. The credit union, bank and other financial institutions have been notified that soldiers and civilians may be calling upon them for temporary financial help. Army Community Services, Bldg. 214, ext. 5155/5057, also has assistance available.

## BULLETIN!

DOD officials announced Thursday that regardless of Congressional action on the Military Appropriations bill, civilian employees of the Department will be paid for days worked in September.

Fiscal year 1978 funds cover work days through the end of the FY. Unlike the military pay system which operates on a first to the last of the month basis, civilians are paid bi-weekly. Since the last full pay period of FY78 ended on September 23, civilians will be paid for the period September 24 - 30 to complete the total fiscal year transactions.

# Star Presidian

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## New CSM:

# A look at the man

by Ted Elisee

In May of this year Command Sergeant Major James Hodges retired after more than 30 years active duty. His last tour of duty was as Command Sergeant Major of the Presidio.

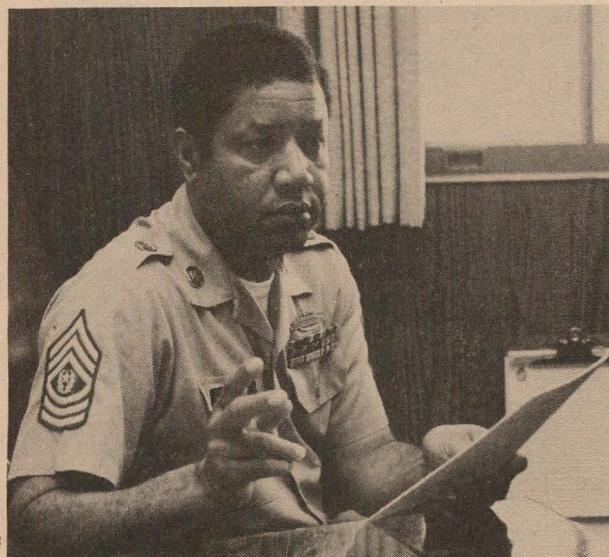
Now, with CSM Hodges' retirement, the position of Post Command Sergeant Major is being filled by CSM Charles O. George. Having recently arrived here from Germany, SCM George is accompanied by his wife and two of his four children.

Getting to know the new CSM, his viewpoints and ideas might be hard to do on an individual basis. Perhaps this interview will give the soldiers under CSM George's command a better view of the man himself.

### Do you find the Volunteer Army Effective?

Yes, I find the new system very effective. The system is working well. I would like to point out that the Army is constantly working to develop into a better system at all times. The troops that we are acquiring, now, are of a better quality than before. All of our soldiers have a drive to better themselves, especially in the field of education.

The one good thing about Army enlistment is that soldiers are working in a field that they themselves have selected, thus the soldier is experiencing job satisfaction.



CSM Charles O. George

### What is your goal as Post Command Sergeant Major?

My goal is to improve conditions for every soldier living on post, especially the living conditions for the younger soldiers, and single soldiers living in the barracks. I want to emphasize that my door is always open to any soldier who has ideas for making our living standards better.

### What steps would you suggest the enlisted corps take in order to have a successful career progression?

Civilian education is the most important aspect of career progression in today's Army. Also, consistently good work standards will definitely help.

Additionally, NCOES, advanced courses, and good test scores in the SQT will enhance advancement for all soldiers.

### What qualities do you feel you possess that helped you advance to the rank of Sergeant Major?

Hard work. That's the only thing that will get you ahead!

### What do you think of women in the military? Do you feel that they should be able to serve in combat arms?

The role of women in the military is a valuable one. Obviously, if women were not useful, then we would not be recruiting them into the Army. Women have a very definite impact on the ranks, and have proven themselves well. It should be pointed out that women are deciding their own role by demonstrating their own abilities.

As far as possible, I believe that women should be utilized in all fields in the Army, but I feel that combat arms provides a restricted field for some women. Regardless of my personal feelings, there are just some tasks that some women in the Army cannot perform because of physical limitations.

### What are your feelings about visitation rights between males and females in the barracks, in their own rooms?

First, I should point out that what I say about visitation rights is a personal observation.

This topic is a controversial one, but I believe that it is one that could be established in certain situations on certain posts in the Army.

In order for this policy to be established, I believe that the system for establishing it should be a democratic one. A vote should be taken by the women to see if the majority of them would be agreeable to such a set up. If the majority agreed, then they should realize the problems they would have to face and accept all responsibility for such a set up in an adult manner.

Certain restrictions would have to be placed in such a situation. If one person should want to take someone of the opposite sex into their room, then the roommate would have to agree to such a visit. If the roommate objected, then the visit would have to be terminated. The door would have to be unlocked at all times.

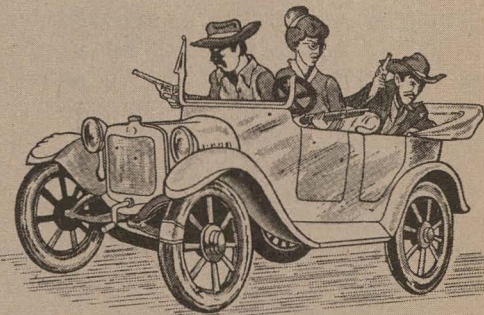
Finally, the post commander, or the designated company commander, would have the final say about hours for visitation or any other rules to be observed.

# Vehicle code changes

by R. E. Leach

The Presidio Vehicle Code, approved by commanders of units assigned and attached to the Presidio, will become effective Monday, October 16. This code supplements the California Vehicle Code. Under current regulations, the California Code applies on the Presidio, and violations will normally be cited on the DA Form 1805, Magistrate Citation.

The PSF Vehicle Code provides for some controls which are not addressed in the state code. These local rules and regulations will be cited on the Armed Forces Traffic Ticket DD Form 1408, formerly called the "DR." The Code also establishes a traffic point system which provides commanders and supervisors with an administrative means of evaluating the driving performance of their personnel.



According to Capt. Russell Keith, Operations Officer in the Provost Marshal's Office, "It is the policy of the Commander that MP Patrols observing traffic and other types of violations will take enforcement action in every case. This action can range from a verbal warning to a citation issuance, and to actual apprehension."

What this means to workers and residents on the Presidio is that the MPs will be authorized to issue two types of citations beginning Monday. The Magistrate Citation will continue to be used as before. The DD Form 1408 will be used to cite violations of a variety of rules on parking, pet control, motorcycle helmets, etc.

Some specific violations are:

1. Parking in spaces reserved for specific individuals or organizations.
2. Parking on lawn or grassy areas, sports fields, etc.
3. Parking in front of driveways or doors.

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# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk.

The 163rd MP Co. reports the departure of **Sgt. Willie Thomas** to Germany. Also departing for Germany are **Sp4 Robin Baldwin** and **Sp4 Mark McManus**. ETSing is **PFC Norman Harris**. Good luck to all of you.

New arrival to the company is **SFC Paul Fedlin** for Germany. Welcome! Promos were given to **John Forey**, **Simon Rose**, and **Gwen McWharter**. All were promoted to **Sp4**. **Benjamin Zavala** was promoted to **SSgt**. Congratulations!

The Meritorious Service Medal was awarded to **MSgt. Earl Castle** and **SSgt. Don Rollins**. This is to be specially commended!

Best wishes are sent to **SSgt. Zavala** and his wife who are celebrating the birth of a 10 lb. baby girl.

**SFC Stan Drinnon**, the former first shirt for the 163rd and also my former stringer for this column, is going to work in MISO. The company wants to thank him for the hard work provided for the troops. They hope he will be kept busy with his new job.

HQ Co. USAG reports the promotion of **Chuck Smith** to **Sgt**. Congrats on the promo, sarge.

Newly arrived at the 107th MP Co. is **Pvt. John Keiss**. John comes from AIT at Ft. McClellan. Welcome! PCSing to Germany are **PFC Jeffrey Harmon**, **SSgt. Noland Mayo** and **Corp. Tracy Ramthun**. ETSing from the unit is **Sgt. Jodi Hansen** and **PV2 Edward Casanova**. Congratulations are sent to **Sp4 Robert Bousquette** and his wife. They're the new parents of a baby girl!

Babies are abundant! HHD 504th MP Bn. wishes the best to **PFC Teresa Cuellar**, proud mother of a baby girl. Welcomed to the unit are **SFC Caves**, coming from the Treasure Island Police Department, and **PFC Kreps**, coming from the Chaplin's Assistants' School in New York. **Sp4 Rayburn** has been promoted to **Sgt**. Congrats on the promo.

The 51st Engineers say good-bye to **Sp4 David Law**, who has ETSed. Newly arrived personnel include **PV2 Carl Palmer**, Shepard AFB, Texas, **Sp4 Cedrik Willy**, Germany, and **Sp4 Eugene Parish**, USAG. **Robert Strongman**'s been promoted to **SSgt**. and **SSgt. A. De Los Santos** has completed the AMEDD Officer Basic correspondent course from Ft. Sam Houston. Congrats!

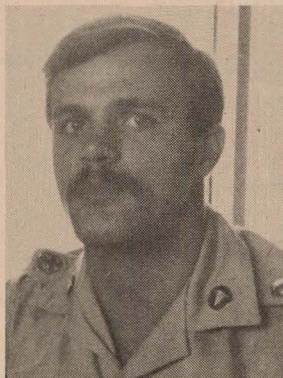
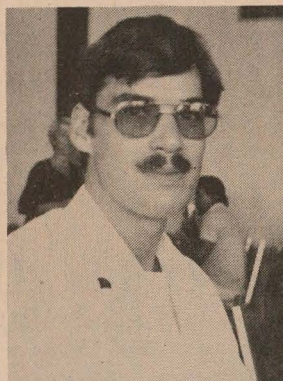
The word for the week is patience. All will come to he who waits ... remember that on Friday. And have a pleasant 13th. See ya next week.

## Ramblin' Sam



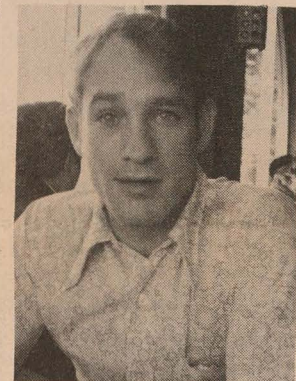
What would you like to complain about?

**Sp4 Anthony Smith, Clinical Specialist, Cardiology, LAMC** — "I would like to complain about the lighting system at Park Presidio, especially on Pershing Drive. The playgrounds are poorly policed, and generally the whole area is in poor condition. I sure would like something done about it."

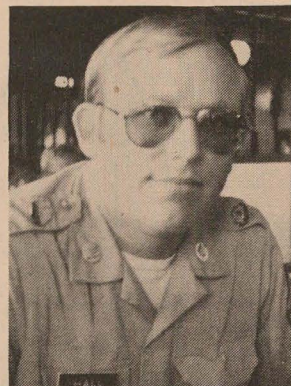


**Sp4 Andy Knepp, Biological Science Specialist, LAMC** — "The Mess facilities on Post should be open to dependents. It would make things more convenient to families here."

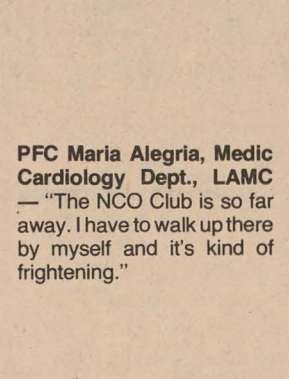
**Sp4 Craig Wilson, AIMOSIST, AIM Clinic** — "I am concerned about the problems that could result from the PT program with the 107th MP Co. The soldiers must run with T-shirts on and then put their fatigue shirts back on without the benefit of a shower. This practice could cause upper respiratory problems."



**SSgt. Louis Hall, Technical Analyst, INSCOM** — "The lack of courtesy on the part of people in the San Francisco area. To them I would like to say — slow down. Please think about what you are saying and what you are doing."



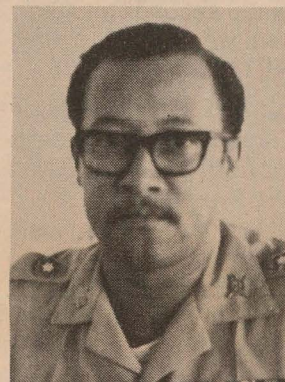
**Sp4 Judith Combs, Clerk Typist, INSCOM** — "The general uncaring attitude that people display towards other people. Many homes should look into how they are raising their children. Perhaps a steady discipline, instead of a sporadic discipline, would be better."



**PFC Maria Alegria, Medic Cardiology Dept., LAMC** — "The NCO Club is so far away. I have to walk up there by myself and it's kind of frightening."



**Maj. Joy Martin, Inspector, 6th Army IG Office** — "There is such a long waiting list for housing here. What compounds the problem is that there is a lack of temporary quarters beyond a period of seven days. As a result, there is a loss of money for renting on the economy. This problem is something that should be settled. We are not looking out for the soldier. If the trauma of moving is alleviated in the Army, we would be better off."



### Editorial:

## Cash stashed? Gasp, gasp!!

by King Crab

An item in the local papers reported that DOD is without funds for Fiscal Year 1979, because the Defense appropriations bill has not been passed by both houses of Congress and signed by the President. This means among other things that personnel separating from active duty cannot be paid their final pay, travel allowances, and the like.

This was not an unusual situation ...actually, it was more the rule than the exception. When this occurred in the past, Congress normally issued a continuing resolution, which allowed DOD to spend money up to a specified limit. This year, no such resolution has been issued. Several years ago, Congress passed a bill which was signed into law by the President changing the Fiscal Year from 1 July through 30 June to the new dates of 1 October through 30 September. The intent was to give Congress and the President time enough to complete all the deliberations and get the appropriations bill signed into law before the beginning of a new fiscal year.

But, the best laid schemes of mice and men often go awry, and that is the case this year ...the first revised fiscal year following a full year of funding. The money bill is stalled in a joint conference committee where the House and the Senate hope to come to agreement on some minor differences in their bills. After this, it will be sent to the President, and he may either sign it, or veto it. If he signs it, money flows. If he vetoes it, well, your guess is as good as mine.

So, with the revised Fiscal Year dates, the problem was supposed to be solved. As reported by other newspapers, that is not the case. There is no funding available for TDY, PCS, ETS, etc. And if action is not taken very soon, there will be no mid-month pay and

no pay for days worked in October for civilian employees. What do you tell the young soldier who needs his mid-month pay to make his car payment on time and to buy groceries for the last two weeks of the month?



A number of ideas come to mind. Tighten your belt ...that's an old solution to hard times, not too effective, but tried and true. And of course, as stated by some members of Congress, he could quit the Army at the earliest opportunity ...I think the words were "vote with your feet." But, the best idea is to use a ballot to vote...maybe it takes a little longer, but it is extremely effective!!!

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

**Friday, Oct. 13, Hot Lead & Cold Feet (G), 7 p.m.**  
**Saturday, Oct. 14, Hot Lead & Cold Feet (G), 2 p.m. & 7 p.m.**  
**Sunday, Oct. 15, Damien - Omen II (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, Oct. 16, Damien - Omen II (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 17, Blue Sunshine (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 18, Corvette Summer (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, Oct. 19, Corvette Summer (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Friday, Oct. 20, Warlords of Atlantis (PG), 7 p.m.**

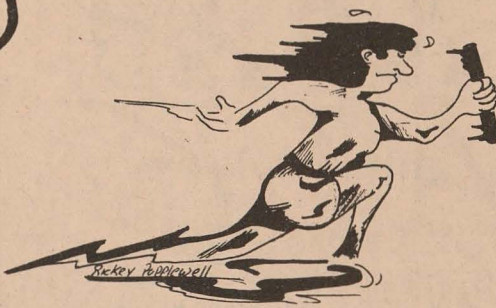
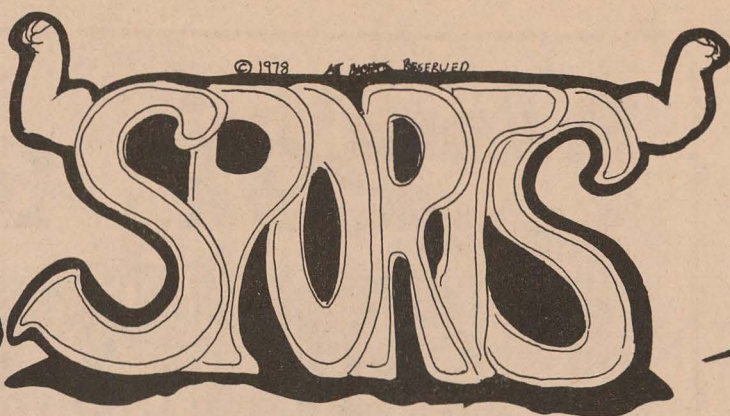
### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

**Friday, Oct. 13, The Evil (R), 7 p.m.**  
**Monday, Oct. 16, The One and Only (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Tuesday, Oct. 17, Hooper (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Wednesday, Oct. 18, American Graffiti (PG), 7 p.m.**  
**Thursday, Oct. 19, Hot Lead & Cold Feet (G), 7 p.m.**  
**Friday, Oct. 20, School Days (R), 7 p.m.**

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# Football results

by Bob Gascon

**170th MP Co. 4 - 163rd MP Co. 0:** In a royal battle between the Military Policemen of the 170th MP Co. and 163rd/HHD 504th MPs the winner was decided on the last play when Quarterback **Randy Fifield** tried a desperation pass that was intercepted as the clock ran out. A penalty during the run back extended the period for one more play after the ball was placed on the six yard line. 170th MP's elected to try a field goal and **Lou Villanalovo** standing on the 12 yard line calmly split the uprights for the margin of victory. 170th MP's play-off hopes loom brighter.

**USAG 20 - LAIR 14:** Quarterback **Frank Jones** did it again for Garrison as he ruined LAIR's hope of making the play-off. Running 15 yards in the initial period for the first score and then coming back to find **Bobby Washington** for a 47 yard touchdown pass, Garrison went ahead 14 to 0. In the second and third periods the defensive units took over as both teams struggled to complete a pass. An action packed final period got underway as Quarterback **Lon Peterson** rallied his team for two quick touchdowns hitting his favorite receiver **Jack McDonnell** twice in the end zone to knot the score at 14 to 14. With less than 30 seconds and the ball on LAIR's 35 yard line, **Jones**, weaving and spinning all over the field, evaded LAIR's defensive unit for the winning score.

**LAMC #1 22, 170th MP Co. 12:** Quarterback **Willy Randolph**, LAMC's outstanding signal caller and passer proved once again that he is the fastest thing around the football field as he ran the MPs dizzy. "Little Willy" ran 32 yards in the first period to put LAMC ahead 6 to 0. The Military Policemen came back in the second period as **Lou Villanalovo** kicked a 30 yard field goal to narrow the score 6 to 4. Before the first half ended "Little Willy" took off again, this time a 42 yard run behind some fine blocking by the offensive team and a 14 to 4 half time lead. MP's quarterback and coach **Douglass Ulrich**'s 26 yard pass to Holmes in the 3rd period put six points on the board, now trailing by only four points. "Little Willy" took

charge again as he moved his LAMC team down the field, finally hitting Wino in the end zone for a score followed by a successful Pat and a 22 to 10 lead. The MP's scored two points on a safety in the final period as time ran out.

**FBI 26 - 163rd MP Co. 18:** Keeping pace with LAMC #1, the men of the FBI, behind the pin point passing of **Rich Smith**, continue to roll over their opponents and remain only 1/2 game behind league leading LAMC #1. Quarterback **Rich Smith** took charge early in the game as he hit **Dick Miller** on a 20 yard scoring play and **Dick Otstott** in the 2nd period for another score. A field goal added to the FBI scoring as they led 18 to 0 before quarterback **Randy Fifield** tossed a 19 yard pass to Murphy for the MP's score. Half time score was 18 to 6. In the third period Smith found Dick Miller again and increased their lead 26 to 6. The Military Policemen fought back in the final period scoring twice, one on a 21 yard pass from White to Murphy, and then **Coach Beaugrand**, coming out of retirement, found Murphy in the end zone for another six points. Too little too late as the FBI wins another one.

**Feature Game of the Week:** League leading LAMC #1 vs FBI. Tuesday, October 17, 6 p.m., PX Field. This game could decide the league champions.

**Fun Run Race:** All runner's on post are invited to partake in the next Fun Run Race, October 18, noon, meeting at the Ft. Scott Gym (Bldg. 1226). The distance will be 4.6 miles over a rolling hill course. For further information call Bob Darling at 4120/5032.

**BOWLING NEWS:** The **Presidio Traveling Bowling Team** will be in Mather AFB for the opening matches in the Northern California Inter-Service Bowling League. Team Captain **Tony LeCroy**, 202, and **Jim Wales**, 211 average in the roll-off, will lead the Presidio Team. Other team members include, John Reckner, Dennis Werne, Henry Tobias, Robert Rush, Happy Hooker and Earl Hannan. **Last Week "Star of the Lanes":** **Earl Hannan** - 668 Series on games of 213, 248 and 207.

# Soccer kick off

The 1978 Presidio Youth Soccer program will kick off with a registration period on Saturday October 14 from 3 to 5 p.m. at the Main Post Gymnasium. According to Major Bruce Wicks, Post Soccer Coordinator, the emphasis in this year's program will be on learning the basics of the game and playing, rather than just concentrating on winning.



Members of the Presidio soccer team ready for the new season.

This year's post teams will compete as part of the FLAME League, one of several youth soccer leagues in the San Francisco area. The FLAME League was chosen due to the fact that it is the only one which allows both boys and girls to play on the same teams.

Once registration for post youth has been completed, participants will be formed into mixed teams by age group; under 8, under 10, under 12, under 14, under 16 and under 19 years of age. To assist in this, registrants on October 14th will need a copy of some document showing proof of age which can be turned in to the league. Registrants will also need a 1-inch by 1-inch photo for a player's ID card and \$4.00 to cover registration and insurance.

Coaches for the post teams will be required as well as players. Presidio parents interested in participating as coaches, assistant coaches, or providing other assistance should indicate this interest to Major Wicks at registration.

# Hunting safety

A Hunter Safety Class consisting of at least six hours of instruction is required of all personnel desiring to obtain a California Hunting License for the first time. Possession of a Hunter Safety Training Certificate from another state is evidence of equivalent training.

A class is presently scheduled for the evenings of October 16 and 18 from 6 - 9:30 p.m. Personnel must attend both sessions. The evening of October 16 will be classroom presentation and the evening of October 18 will be live fire and final examination. Personnel planning to attend should accomplish the following:  
-Contact Recreation Services (Bldg. 92) and provide name, address and phone number.  
-Obtain a copy of required reading "Conservation Safety and Sportsmanship Handbook," prior to attending class (available at Recreation Services).

The course requires successful completion (80 percent) of a 70 question exam on the following subject areas: Firearms Safety and Nomenclature, Wildlife Management, Sportsmanship, Archery, Survival and Primitive Firearms.

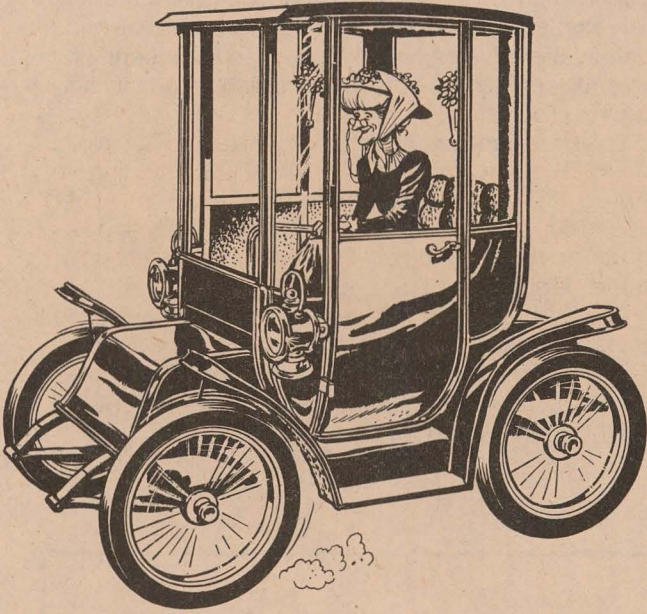
# Vehicle code changes . . .

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- 4. Parking within 30 feet of an intersection, or within 20 feet of a building, unless a designated parking space exists.
- 5. Operating a motorcycle without a helmet (Mopeds are considered bicycles).
- 6. Failure to wear seatbelts while operating or riding in a military vehicle.
- 7. Fixing or repairing a car in an area not specified for such work.
- 8. Failing to properly dispose of animal excrement.

The traffic point system provides for points to be assessed against a driver's record according to a schedule, parts of which are discussed later. When a violator accumulates a certain number of points in a 12-month period, he is to be counseled by his commander or supervisor, and warned that his installation driving privileges are subject to being withdrawn. Details of the point system are in the Code, which is available from the MP Vehicle Inspection station, Bldg. 35.

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| Specific point assessment for some selected violations are: |                                          |
| Reckless driving                                            | 6 points                                 |
| Hit & Run (property damage)                                 | 6 points                                 |
| Speed contests                                              | 6 points                                 |
| Speeding                                                    | 3 to 6 points depending on circumstances |
| Following too closely                                       | 4 points                                 |
| Improper passing                                            | 4 points                                 |
| Operating an unsafe car                                     | 2 points                                 |



Persons convicted of certain offenses will have their installation driving privileges withdrawn for one year. Some of these are: driving while intoxicated or under the influence of drugs; homicide by vehicle; driving an uninsured vehicle; failure to appear in court following a Magistrate Citation; failure to stop, render aid if involved in an accident resulting in personal injury or death.

Most of the areas covered in the PSF Vehicle Code merely require the use of common sense and normal courtesy while driving. To protect yourself, visit the MP station and pick up a copy of the new Code.



# FLASH!!

## The lighter side . . .

Thousands of letters, documents, responses and other items of correspondence are handled by MILPERCEN Special Actions Branch. They address topics such as hardship separations, promotions, reassignments and the gammut of personnel actions. Many are letters written by parents, wives, relatives and acquaintances; some are addressed to members of Congress. The President or a unit personnel officer. Oftentimes the special actions branch is tasked with replaying to them.

Most are serious letters about very real and personal problems, but some strike a humorous note without really trying to be funny. Here are some examples: From a doctor's statement — "Mrs. X is a patient of mine whom I delivered by C-section on 20 October 1977." (Written in 1978.)

Another writer, a soldier, advises — "Please be kind, put myself in your situation."

One soldier ruefully states — "I accepted my promotion to the grade of E-6 in good faith."

"What I said is not what I meant," might be a title for this remark — "....but at this time I feel that I should be closed (SIC) to the last member of the family...."

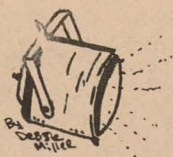
One soldier advised his Congressman about his personnel request this way — "For any information you may need, please contact my parents...."

Another soldier asked the Army to void his orders for an overseas assignment — "Because my wife is not working to support my two sons."

One relative of a soldier wrote The President — "....I'm afraid you're the most important person I could use as a sounding block."

That was probably a welcome remark compared to another letter to The President — "I want an answer soon, before you leave your office."

Finally, there is a writer who fortunately does not work in a Finance Office — "We are both PFC's and have been in the Army from a year and a half to 34 months (He's been in four months longer than me)."



# PSF Spotlight



photo by William Malkiel

Accepting the Fourth Estate Award from Col. John D. Hamilton is Sp5 Rebecca S. Hall and SSgt. Ted Elisee of the Star Presidian.

Recently an article appeared in the Star Presidian headlined "The First Step is the Hardest." This article dealt with the help offered soldiers and their families by Letterman's Psychology Department.

The article, written by staff reporter Rebecca S. Hall, received recognition by Department of the Army. A 'Pat on the Back' was received for outstanding writing.

However, the recognition did not end here. This

week Rebecca and the Star Presidian were honored with the Presentation of the FORSCOM Fourth Estate Award for Excellence in Military Journalism. The award was presented by Col. John D. Hamilton in a ceremony held in his office.

"This is one of the most exciting things I've ever experienced," Sp5 Hall explained. "Having my work recognized by FORSCOM is really important to me."

## The courage to give

Although there is no stated 'goal' for this year's Combined Federal Campaign, 100 percent participation is needed to make the success story complete.

With the payroll deduction plan the money is taken out of your check before you ever get it. This way, you never really 'miss' it and your contribution can be larger. You may not have \$25 you can spare now, but if you contribute \$2.00 per month, you'll have donated \$24 by the end of the year.

The money you contribute goes many places. Girl Scouts, The Red Cross, Day Care Centers, various religious groups, programs for the 'aged and handicapped and ethnic programs are all helped when you have the courage to give. Or, you can name a specific agency you would like your contribution sent to.

Count your blessings ... and have the courage to give so that others may have blessings to count.

## USO news

Halloween will be the theme of two eerie disco dances at San Francisco USO at 8 p.m. on Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28. Come in costume, come casual! Everyone is welcome, including goblins, spooks, Count Dracula, slithering ghosts and any other horrifying creatures that might make you shriek! Are you brave enough to come? Remember, the two frightening nights when the Great Pumpkin grimaces and glows at USO — Friday, October 27 and Saturday, October 28. At 8 p.m., at San Francisco USO, 375 O'Farrell St., phone 776-3100.

**Free Employment Seminars Every Tuesday at 7 p.m.** with individual and group counseling. Learn to write resumes that will get you the RIGHT job! Participate in job workshops, group discussions. Have your questions answered by two employment specialists. Helpful for anyone getting out of the service soon! Or dependents who want a job NOW! Or active military who want to work part-time! Learn the ins and outs of job hunting in San Francisco and the Bay Area

**Habla Espanol? No?** You want to? Si? Then come to San Francisco USO for free lessons on Wednesdays at 7 p.m., by two expert Spanish-speaking young ladies, Pansy and Flor. Private lessons or group lessons are available. Learn the basics and with the right accent! Free for military and dependents!

## Civil Service reform

President Carter's plans to reorganize the U.S. Civil Service Commission and to consolidate Federal labor-relations functions into a single agency gained Congressional approval Friday, August 11.

The reorganization replaces the present Civil Service Commission with two agencies, separating its inherent conflicting responsibilities. The new Office of Personnel Management will carry out the Government's personnel management responsibilities and advise the President on personnel policy matters. The Merit Systems Protection Board will be an independent agency responsible for safeguarding merit systems against partisan political or other abuse, and protecting employee rights within those systems.

The plan also creates the Federal Labor Relations Authority to replace the Federal Labor Relations Council and other organizational components of the Government's labor-relations program. This will bring now-scattered elements into one independent and neutral body with full-time responsibility for administering this program.

The President submitted Reorganization Plan No. 2 of 1978 to Congress on May 23, starting a 60-legislative-day countdown during which either House could object. Neither did, automatically approving it. Provisions of the plan will be put into effect on or before January 1, 1979.

Administration officials consider the reorganization a necessary companion to civil service reform measures now before Congress. The President has called the proposals the "centerpiece of government reorganization" during his term in office.

## "Make lemonade!"

Ever feel that life has given you only lemons? Don't feel alone. The Chapel Youth are out to prove that Friday the 13th can be a lucky day. They're having a Youth Rally with the theme: "Lemons In Your Life? Make Lemonade!"

All it takes is a bit of creativity and imagination to make your life a full and enjoyable one. Come the night of Friday, October 13, at 7 p.m. to the Religious Activities Center, Building 683 and have some fun doing just that. The evening will be filled with skits, a giant lemon, lots of food and the best of the bushel. (Friends that is, not lemons!)

All youth from junior high through high school are invited to come and join the fun. For further information call 561-3535/4440.

## Abortion policy

Effective midnight September 30, 1978, and until further notice, abortions paid for by DOD appropriated funds are restricted to the following:

- Where the mother's life would be endangered if the fetus is carried to term;
- Where necessary for victims of rape or incest provided the rape or incest has been promptly reported to a law enforcement agency or public health service;
- Where two physicians have determined the mother would suffer severe and long-lasting physical health damage if the pregnancy is carried to term;
- Where medical procedures are necessary to terminate an ectopic pregnancy, i.e., gestation in the fallopian tube, etc.

CHAMPUS claims for abortions performed after midnight September 30, will not be paid unless they conform to criteria a. - d. above.

Claims for abortions performed prior to the 30th will be honored regardless of the new restrictions.

According to sources at DA, the congressional restrictions do not prohibit any woman from seeking or obtaining abortions for any reason. However, abortions outside the new criteria must be paid for through other than DOD appropriated funds.

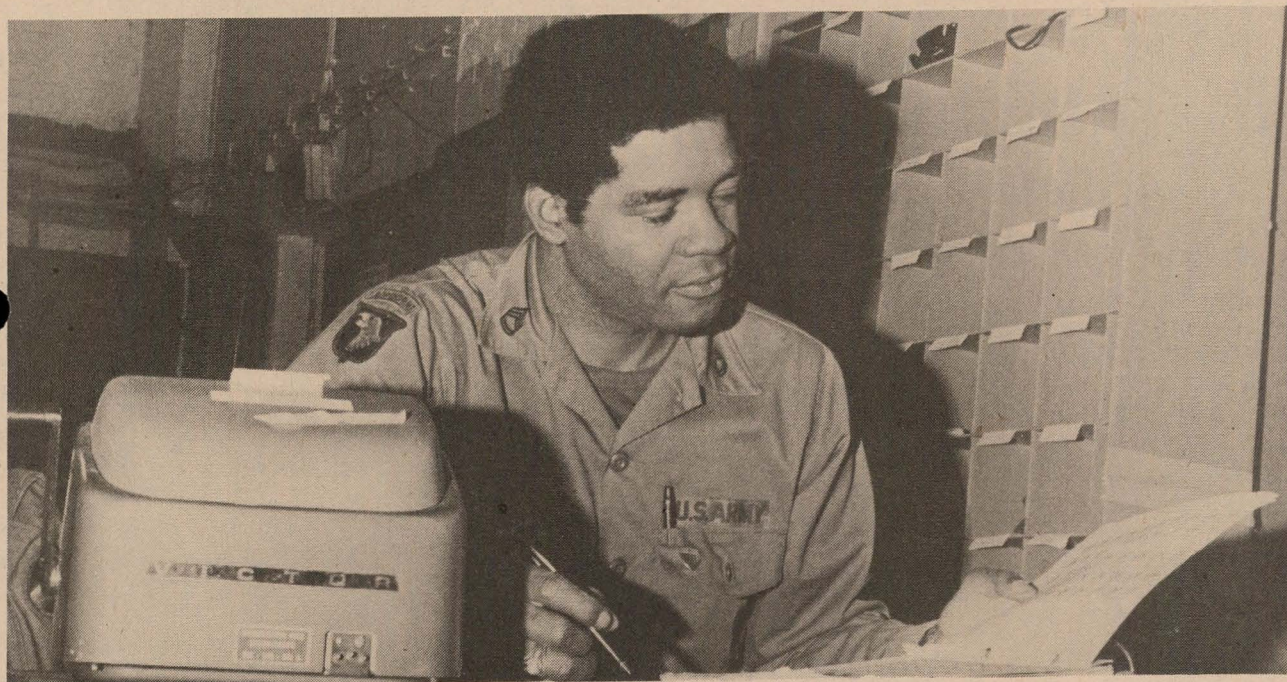
This interim policy applies to the CHAMPUS program and also to the Army Medical Department's Health Care System. (FORSCOM)

## Our mistake!

In last week's *Star Presidian* we made an error in our sports coverage. In announcing the winner of the First Annual Community Softball Tournament (Fun Day), we incorrectly labeled LAMC as the winner. However, the actual winner of the Fun Day Softball Tournament was LAIR, who defeated 15 teams for the title. Sorry, LAIR. And congrats!



# Postmark: West Germany



**SFC James Wood, first sergeant of the 16th Adjutant General Detachment (postal) handles the necessary paper work to make the mail move.**

A U.S. Army soldier training in Hanau, West Germany, may well wonder how that letter from his wife, sweetheart, or mom will ever reach him in the field, but it will. It will if members of the 16th Adjutant General Detachment (Postal) from the Presidio once get their hands on it.

The Detachment is assigned the task of seeing that 6,000 American GI's who are part of the 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized), of Fort Polk, LA, receive their letters from home. The division is taking part in the

training exercise "Certain Shield" during REFORGER '78.

"Our unit performs the same job our civilian counterpart does in handling the mail with the exception we do not utilize mechanical sorting equipment," said SFC James Wood, the detachment first sergeant. The civilian postal workers use machines for sorting mail by zipcode. "All mail coming to us must be sorted by hand before being sent on to the unit mail clerks," explains Wood.

Arriving in Germany on September 1st, the unit has been active in dispatching mail received from the civilian postal system to 5th (Mech) personnel since that time. "Our first objective is to establish an orderly flow of the mail through the sorting and dispatching necessary in our detachment to the units we are supporting," Wood explains. Generally, once the mail reaches our service from the civilian post office, it is sorted and ready for pickup by unit mail clerks within an hour," said Wood.

The unit mail clerks are responsible for the actual distribution of letters and parcels to their unit members. In addition, the unit mail clerk locates persons receiving letters requiring a signature, such as certified mail.

"Business has been good," according to Wood. "One day last week we processed over 5,000 pieces of mail," he explains.

The Presidio postal unit is normally on a six week rotational schedule with personnel on assignment for six weeks supporting units on training missions. The next six weeks is spent back at home station handling military mail in the civilian post office.

"Our unit is comprised of 26 persons, however only 16 members are participating in the REFORGER exercise," explains Wood. "Being somewhat short of manpower, we have little time to wonder about what to do next," he added.

The unit, in addition to providing letter and parcel distribution, also issues stamps and money orders for Army personnel. The U.S. Army soldier on a training exercise in Germany is thus assured that he is never very far from the services of the 16th Adjutant General Detachment and that letter from home.

**(Ed. Note: The majority of the 16th Adjutant General Detachment (Postal) has already returned to Presidio.)**

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## Is the firing line ready?

Story and photo by Scott Ormond

Recently, D Co. 864th Engineers Bn. underwent their annual Crew-Served weapons Exercise at Hunter Liggett Military Reservation.

Four days and some 20,000 rounds later the 30 members of D Co. who participated in the exercise felt as if they, the M60's, the .50 caliber machine guns and the M 203 granade launchers were old friends.

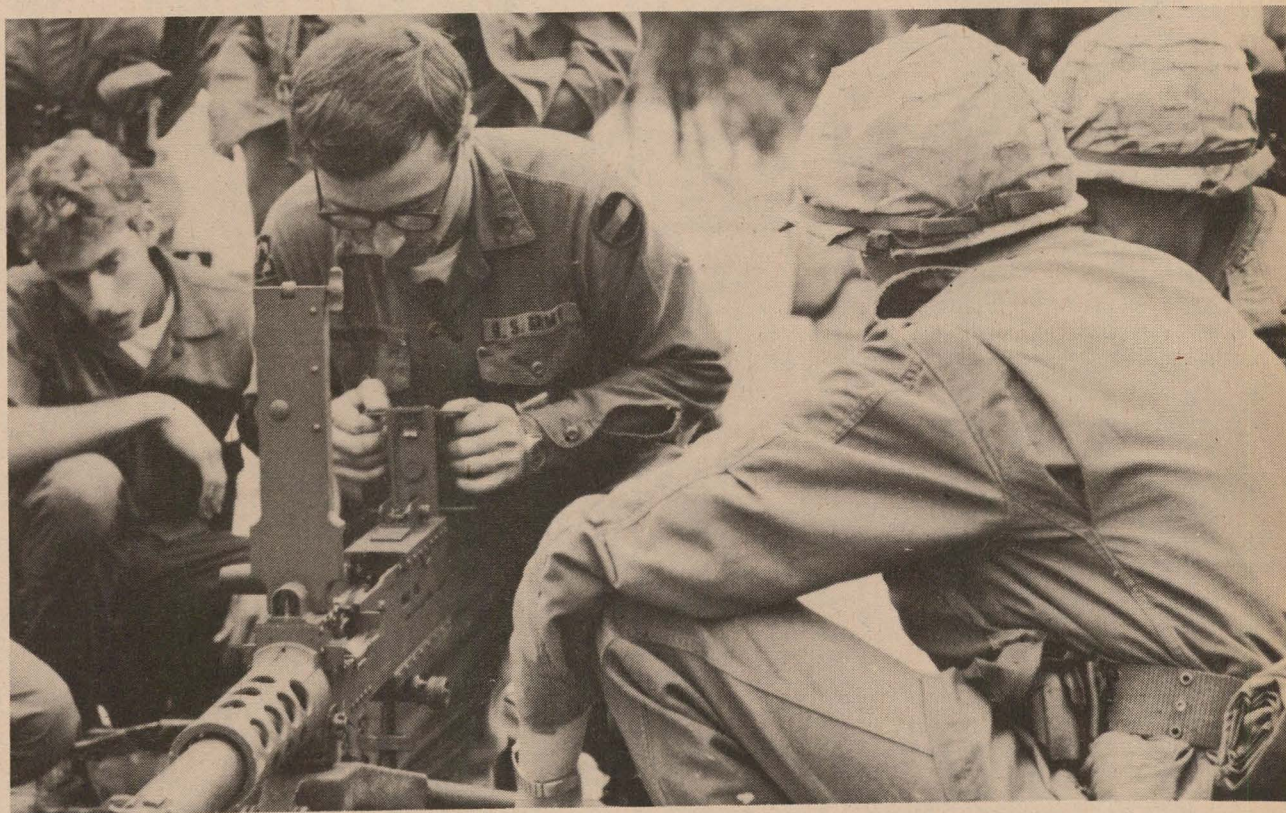
Various methods of firing were taught as well as the proper maintenance of the weapons.

In one method of firing, night firing, the gunners were required to hold an M-60 machine gun at waist level and, while firing, walk towards their targets. Look out John Wayne!

SSgt. Wayne Redmond, the principal instructor of the exercise said, "I was really impressed by the fact that, for novice gun crews, they quickly grasped the fundamentals of these weapons. Because of the tremendous amount of cooperation by these guys everything went well and, since safety was emphatically stressed, there were no serious injuries."

Operation NCO SFC Ross Tetzlaff had this to say, "Due to the huge success of this program we've decided to make it an annual exercise."

All in all, D Co. has once again shown that they are capable of living up to their motto: "Anything Expected."



**SSgt Wayne Redmond, principal instructor, demonstrates the proper method for sighting prior to firing the .50 caliber machine gun.**



# S · P · O · R · T · S

## Women's basketball

Plans are underway to formulate a Women's Basketball League at the Presidio. Interested players, to include military, dependents and Department of the Army women employees of the Presidio, are urged to contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon or Charles Hammes of the Presidio Sports Office for further information, telephone 561-4120/5032.

## Intramural basketball

Organizations desiring to participate in the Presidio Intramural Basketball League, beginning on November 13 are reminded that entries must be submitted to the Sports Office NLT November 6. An organizational meeting will be held in the Post Gym, Bldg. #63 at 3 p.m., November 8. For further information, contact the Sports Office, telephone, 561-4120/5032.

## Basketball officials

All personnel interested in officiating basketball during the 1978-79 season are urged to attend a meeting at 5 p.m., October 26 in the Post Gym. Members of the Pacific Officials Association IABO Board #160 are encouraged to attend.

## Flag football results

GARRISON 20 - 864th ENGRS 0.  
LAMC II 24 - 170th MP Co 20.  
LAMC II 14 - CORPS OF ENGRS 12  
USACC 1 - 864th ENGRS 0.  
CORPS OF ENGRS 12 - LAIR 8.  
163rd MP Co 8 - USACC 6.  
LAMC #1 24 - FBI 16.

## Aquarius Swim team

The Aquarius Swim Team traveled to Benicia the weekend of October 14 and 15 for the Benicia Blue Dolphins Invitational Swim Meet. Twenty-one teams participated in this B-A Meet, and twenty Aquarius swimmers brought home a total of 57 ribbons. Those carrying home the ribbons were:

**8 Years and Under**  
Bianca Trenker; Holly Meegan; and Nick Russo.  
**9 and 10 Years Old**  
Polly Slisz; Robin Wiks; and Mark Russo.  
**11 and 12 Years Old**  
Donna Hibbs; Denise Tietze; Margie Moore; Delia Rivera; Lynda Boland; Andre Lafayette; and Brian Russo.  
**13-14 Years Old**  
Sara Adams; Mike Trenker; Brian Meegan; and Markus Poppelwell.  
**15-18 Years Old**  
Anette Tietze; Debbie Havis; and Julie Adams.

## Football championships

Game #1 Monday .....Oct. 23 6:00 PM  
LAMC #1 vs LAMC #2  
Game #2 Monday .....Oct. 23 7:15PM  
FBI vs USAG  
Game #3 Wednesday .....Oct. 25 6:00 PM  
Loser, Game #1 vs Loser, Game #2  
Game #4 Wednesday .....Oct. 25 7:15 PM  
Winner, Game #1 vs Winner, Game #2  
Game #5 Monday .....Oct. 30 6:00 PM  
Winner, Game #3 vs Loser, Game #4  
Game #6 Wednesday .....Nov. 1 6:00 PM  
Winner, Game #4 vs Winner, Game #5  
Game #7 Thursday .....Nov. 2 6:00 PM  
If necessary

## Trout plants

If water, weather, and road conditions are favorable, the following waters will be stocked with catchable trout this week by the Department of Fish and Game:

- Alameda County — Arroyo del Valle Reservoir
- Napa County — Hennessey Reservoir
- San Francisco County — Lake Merced
- Santa Cruz County — Pinto Lake

## Ramblin' Sam



What would you like to say **GOOD** about someone or something that you've never said before?



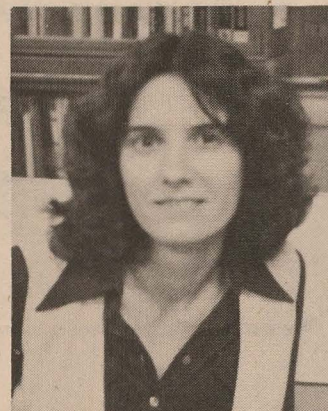
**Sp4 Richard Allen, USAG**  
— "I've never told my wife that I am so crazy about her! So, now she'll know when she reads this paper!"



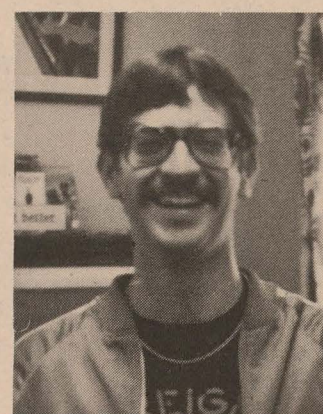
**Jeff Baca (with Celeste Sprucel), Wells Fargo Bank** — "I'd like to say a few words about my friend Celeste, who works with me. A co-worker, David Brill, and myself have birthdays coming up. Celeste has gotten this big party extravaganza going. Everybody from work is coming and bringing guests. We're going to have a big pot luck dinner. It's going to be real fun. Celeste has gone to a lot of trouble. It just shows her friendship for us. It's really kind of a nice thing. It makes you feel good." (Celeste did not hear the interview).

**Ms. Diana Chase, Ft. Scott Education Center** —

"I have a lot of good things to say about the students at the Army Ed Center. I've been working here about two months and I've been really impressed with the diligence and eagerness to learn that the military students come in with. The work they're doing in addition to their jobs, learning math, english or a foreign language, is fantastic."



**Sp4 Tom Howard, USAG** — "I'd like to tell all my friends here that it's been nice knowing them. We've had a lot of good times together, but, since I'm close to ETS and going home ...well, it's almost over. The people here have a special place in my heart and I'll never forget the times we've had. Everyone's really been a friend."



**Sgt. Steven Bartley (right) and PFC Anthony Burgess, 504th MP Bn** — "First Sergeant Hankins, our top, is a good NCO, a good leader. He's like the mechanic of the battalion. He's the first sergeant, but he helps everybody with their cars. He's always doing projects, too. If you give him some plywood, or just anything you could scrounge from him and he'll make something for the Bn. on his own time. He manages to be a person, treat you like a person and still accomplish his mission with a lot of expertise and tact. We both have a lot of respect for him."

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# TROOP TALK

by Ted Elisee

Another week of Troop Talk... HQ Co. USAG reported many promotions! **Greg Montgomery** was promoted to SSgt.; **Thomas Tonnevich** made PFC; **Ricky Heridia**, PV2; **Beth Criss**, PFC; **Darrell Ewing**, PFC; **Pvt. Sandboth**, PFC. Congrats are in order for **PFC John Laneau** and his wife. Their the proud parents of a baby boy!

The third platoon of the 170th MP Co. is down at Hunter Liggett for an FTX. Enjoy....**Sp4 James Burch** has PCSed to Ft. Sheridan, while **PFC Mark Sergeant** joined the 170th from Ft. Sheridan. Also new to the company are **Pvt. Richard Marconi**, from Ft. McClellan; **Pvt. Robert Benedick**, from Ft. McClellan; **Sp4 Charlene Warner**, from Germany.

D Co., 864th Engineers are a busy group! (Note page 1!!!) Promotion from the Engrs. include: **Ricky Bazile**, SSgt.; **Lawrence Brown**, **Wayne Chin**, **Randy Greyson**, **James McRoy**, **Annibal Medina**, **Gary Runner** and **Billy Williams** were all promoted to Sp4. Making PFC were: **Albert Garcia**, **Richard Gump**, **Brian Benvie**, **Joseph Coffey**, **Ronnie Flowers** and **Dan Gilmore**. Leaving the company were: **Lt. Curt Schoeneman**, ETSing; **SSgt. Carl Hadlock**, to Alaska; **Sgt. Tinneth Thompson**,

ETSing; **Sp4 David Andres**, to Alaska; and **PFC Scott Ormond** is leaving Monday for Hawaii. New troops to the engineers are: **Pvt. Daniel Harvey**, from Ft. Lewis; **PFC Jacob Wilson**, **Sp4 David Wheeler**, **Sp4 Pierre Russell**, **Sp4 Bennett Parker**, **Sp4 Donald Klypchak**, **Sp4 Edmond Jacquy**, **Sp4 Wayne Cantrell** and **Sp5 John Nichols**, all from HQ Co. USAG.

The 16th AG Postal members are back from the REFORGER exercise in Germany. Welcome home! **Sp5 Juan Rayos** joined the company from Okinawa and **Sp4 Ricky Thompson** came in from Germany. Congrats go out to **Sp5 Ralph Bader** and his wife. They're new parents of a baby girl. **Sp5 Ronnie Ewing** is ETSing next week. Good luck!

The end of another week. Enjoy the weekend. This week think about the words of Omar Bradley, "Our military forces are one team — in the game to win regardless of who carries the ball. Each player on this team — whether he shines in the spotlight of the backfield or eats dirt in the line — must be an All-American." This All American bids farewell till next week. Keep shining.

## PSF Action



During the recent 6th Army Band Concert and Picnic, held on the Parade Field, SFC Johnson (L) and Sp5 Pettigrew keep feet tapping.



Members of the 6th Army Band entertain picnickers.



Others interested in not only the concert but the grapes as well were Ned and Aryn Behonke.



Sharing grapes ... Major General John Osteen, 6th Army, makes a new friend as he and Noah Bunker enjoy the picnic.

A special review ceremony will be held Tuesday, October 24, in honor of the Civilian Aides to the Secretary of the Army (CASA) who will be attending the annual Sixth Army CASA conference.

The ceremony will be held at 4:55 p.m. on the Parade Ground in front of Bldg. 38. All personnel are invited to attend.



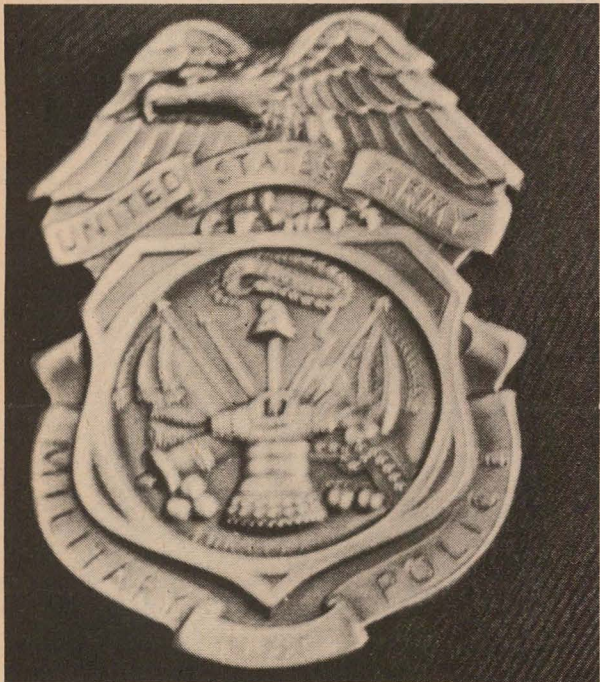
# Crime Scene

By Don Delver

## Holiday safety

Holiday seasons are the time for family, friends, fun, love and happiness. It's also the time many people leave for vacations.

One unfortunate consequence of the holiday season is the increased vulnerability to theft because of the decreased level of activity on post. Hours are shortened, sections may close early or not open at all, and much Government property is left unattended for longer periods of time. Extra precautions need to be taken during the holiday season to reduce the attractiveness of Government property by making it as hard to steal as possible. The next few paragraphs contain suggestions which, if followed, will reduce the likelihood that your unit or activity will be victimized by theft.



Every unit and activity should be surveyed far enough in advance of the holidays to allow time for any needed repairs. Important items to check include outside lighting, and the locks on doors and windows. Supply room and arms room doors and windows must be carefully checked as they, along with common rooms, contain many valuable items. The unit safe, if it weighs less than 750 lbs. empty, must be secured to the building with a hardened steel chain.

Motorpools are frequently targets for theft, with the most common item stolen being tools. Many units have built special cages or secure rooms within their motor pools to increase the difficulty a thief would have in getting to the unit's tools. Other commonly stolen items of government property include TA 50 or field gear, and storage procedures for this and similar gear should be reviewed by the Commander in light of its vulnerability.

Workers in offices must also be especially vigilant during the holiday season, as fewer office personnel frequently mean an easier time for potential thieves. Visitors must be challenged by employees, and a prompt offer of assistance is both a helpful gesture to the legitimate visitor, and a warning to the potential thief that he is being watched. If a stranger behaves suspiciously, and you are not satisfied with the explanation for his behavior, call the Military Police and request that a patrol check out the stranger more thoroughly. Working together in this way, the Presidio can be a safer place to live and work. Just as importantly, by preventing the loss of valuable government property we save ourselves and other taxpayers a lot of money.

# News notes

## Costume parade

The children of the Presidio Preschool Kindergarten will be having a costume parade on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31. The parade will leave the school at 10 a.m. and arrive in front of Letterman Hospital at approximately 10:15 a.m. At that time prizes will be awarded to the children whose costumes are the most original, most frightening, and the funniest. Parents are urged to attend and help supervise the parade to and from the hospital. Traffic will be momentarily halted by the M.P.s while the children cross Lombard and Dewitt Streets. Please join them for a Happy Halloween Parade!!!

## Prep classes

GED and College Test Preparation Class is designed to prepare individuals for the English grammar and literature section of the high school GED State Equivalency Examination as well as the English portion of the SAT, ACT, and CLEP tests. The class can be used to brush up on all aspects of the English language including composition and term paper writing skills. An instructor will be available at the Ft. Scott Education Center Tuesday and Thursday, 2:30 - 5 p.m. on an open enrollment basis. Call the Eudcation Center, 4445/2974 for more information.

## NCO Club

The NCO Club offers Big Screen Football Monday, October 23 from 6 p.m. till .... Disco is offered Wednesdays through Saturdays (check your club for times) and dining on Friday and Saturday nights. Lunches are offered Tuesday through Friday with Go-Go dancers from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.

## Citizenship course

U.S. Citizenship Course is designed to help foreign-born persons prepare for U.S. Citizenship test and for those new citizens who would like to continue learning more about the United States. Active duty military, their adult dependents, and civilian personnel who work at the Presidio can enroll in the course. Class will begin October 23 and continue on an open basis throughout the Fall. Classes will be held Monday through Friday, 1 - 2 p.m. There is no fee for the course. For further information or to enroll call the Education Center, 4445/4419.

## Ladies Bible study

The Ladies Bible Study sponsored by the PWOC is held the first, third and fourth Tuesday of each month at the Religious Activities Center, Building 682. Come for coffee at 9:30 a.m. Bible Study, 10 - 11:15 a.m. Mrs. Joyce Hamm is the new teacher. The Gospel of John will be the first study. Nursery will be provided. All ladies of the Presidio Community are welcome to participate. If additional information is needed, contact Pris Davis at 561-4561.

## Shorthand and typing

Beginning and Intermediate Shorthand and Typing classes will be held at the Ft. Scott Education Center from Tuesday, October 31, to Friday, December 15. Class hours are: Intermediate Shorthand, Tuesday through Friday, 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.; beginning shorthand, Tuesday through Friday, 8:30 to 9:30 a.m.; typing classes, Tuesday through Thursday, from 9:30 to 11:30 and Friday from 9:30 to 10:30. There is no fee for the classes. Military, their adult dependents and civilians can enroll. For further information or to sign up call the Ft. Scott Education Center, ext. 4445/2974.

## Rec Center News

Stay out of checkmate and learn better moves at the Chess Class on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. at the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135. Tuesdays are happening with the Disco Dance Class. Learn all the newest steps in disco at 7:30 p.m. If Disco isn't your style, Belly Dancing Classes are held on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m., too. Bobby "G", the Soul Disco Man, is featured every Wednesday night from 9 till midnight. Plans are in the making for a Ballroom Dance Class, which will meet Thursday nights at 7:30. Sign ups are being accepted now. Also on Thursdays is the Yoga Class. Beginning at 6:30 p.m., this Yoga class is an excellent way to learn to relieve tension and stay in shape. Discount tickets are available for the National Rodeo and Livestock Show. The show will be held at the Cow Palace, Saturday October 28 (10:30 a.m.) and November 4 (1:30 p.m.). There are also some 49er tickets left. The next game is November 12, the 49ers against St. Louis. Discount tickets to a variety of amusement areas are available, too. A Wine Tour of Santa Clara County will be conducted Sunday, October 29 at 8:30 a.m. Bring your lunch for a picnic in the wine country. Reserved seats are necessary. For more information call ext. 5420/5480/2000 after 2 p.m.

## Meal rate change

For those soldiers with separate rations, there has been a change in meal rates. Effective October 1, the dual meal rate system for "duty personnel" and "other authorized personnel" is eliminated and replaced with the single rate system as follows:

| MEAL      | AUTHORIZED PERSONNEL | SURCHARGE | PER DIEM |
|-----------|----------------------|-----------|----------|
| Breakfast | \$0.65               | \$0.30    | \$0.90   |
| Lunch     | \$1.30               | \$0.30    | \$1.80   |
| Dinner    | \$1.30               | \$0.30    | \$1.80   |

# Movies

**PRESIDIO THEATER**  
**Friday**, Oct. 20, Warlords of Atlantis, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Saturday**, Oct. 21, Super Bug, Super Agent, (G), 2 p.m.  
**Saturday**, Oct. 21, Warlords of Atlantis, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Sunday**, Oct. 22, The Buddy Holly Story, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Monday**, Oct. 23, The Buddy Holly Story, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday**, Oct. 24, Bruce Lee: The Man/The Myth, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday**, Oct. 26, The Last Waltz, (PG), 7 p.m.

**SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN**  
**Friday**, Oct. 20, School Days, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Monday**, Oct. 23, Damien-Omen II, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Tuesday**, Oct. 24, Blue Sunshine, (R), 7 p.m.  
**Wednesday**, Oct. 25, Corvette Summer, (PG), 7 p.m.  
**Thursday**, Oct. 26, Young Lady Chatterley, (R), 7 p.m.

**The Buddy Holly Story (PG)** This story is based on the brief but brilliant career of the originator of rock and roll music. The film traces the meteoric rise of Holly from his earliest experimentation in Texas to international popularity and fame. Some materials may not be suitable for children.

**IF EVER IS SEE YOU AGAIN (PG)** A landmark picture featuring the last performance of the Band Winterland in San Francisco where they were first featured as a major league rock act. Appearing as guest performers are the greatest of rock musicians to ever appear on the same stage together. Some material may not be suitable for children.



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## **Halloween:**

# **Treats or threats**

There's no treat involved when a malicious trickster boobytraps Halloween candies for unsuspecting children. In recent years, parents across the nation have learned to cringe when kids mention trick-or-treating.

Adult pranksters whose "jokes" deliberately cause injury, illness or even death act as dampers on the spirit of Halloween fun. And careless drivers and poor nighttime visibility add to the dangers.

In many cities, trick-or-treating has been drastically cut back by concerned parents who replace the traditional Halloween night out with private parties or neighborhood carnivals with plenty of adult supervision.

However, if your child is determined to go looking for goodies this year, there are a number of things you as a parent can do to ensure that his bag of treats contains no unhappy surprises.

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### **"...neighborhood cranks and child haters can be avoided on Halloween..."**

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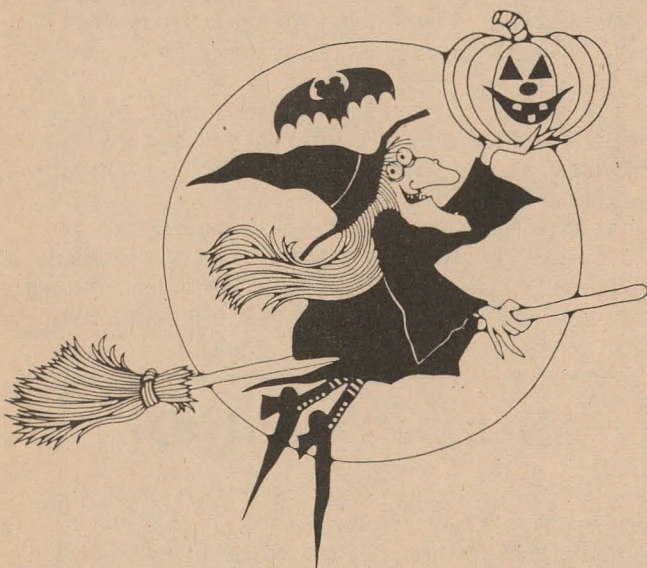
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For nighttime safety, costumes should be light in color or trimmed lavishly with reflective tape. Other costuming tips to remember are:

- Eyeholes in masks should be large enough to allow a full range of vision. Even better, avoid masks altogether and use makeup to achieve the desired effects.

- Hems on trailing or loose costumes — for witches, ghosts and such — should be raised to reduce the danger of tripping.

- Use only flame-resistant fabrics for costumes. Candles are frequently used as home Halloween decorations and are easily brushed against or overturned. Check ready-made costumes for flame retardant properties, or buy treated fabrics for home creations. But avoid TRIS-treated fabrics: the chemical used to fireproof these materials has been identified as a substance that may cause cancer.



- All trick-or-treaters should wear slip-resistant shoes.
- Parents should always accompany their children on trick-or-treating rounds. Younger children should be taken directly to the door by the parent. Most younger children will not argue with holding onto daddy's hand on this scariest of all nights. Older children may object to having mother tag along right up to the door, but an adult standing nearby will often discourage unpleasant surprises.



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### **"...Halloween is a night for ghosties, ghoulies, things that go bump in the night...and children..."**

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- Parents should also limit their children to within a small radius around the home, since neighborhood cranks and child haters are usually well-known long before Halloween and can be avoided. And most of the hazards of night traffic can be avoided by staying on residential streets in a well-known area.

- Keep children in well-lighted areas and approach only those houses whose fronts are illuminated.

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### **"...Never let your child eat trick or treat goodies until you have inspected them..."**

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With care your child should return home with a loaded treat bag and no injuries or unpleasant memories. However, your job as a bodyguard is far from over. Never let your child eat trick-or-treat goodies until you have inspected them. Specifics to watch for include:

- Opened or punctured candy wrappers. It's a good bet an opened wrapper on a candy bar means someone else has already been inside. Tricksters have been known to insert drugs into chocolate bars, where their taste is camouflaged. Soft candies, like the miniature bars often distributed on Halloween, can be injected with liquids without opening the wrapper. Unwrap and hold the wrapper up to the light to check for pinholes if you are suspicious, or better yet try to avoid these candies altogether.

- Homemade treats, such as popcorn balls, fudge and cookies, should also be set aside unless the giver is well-known and trusted.

- Fruit should be inspected carefully for punctures or cuts. If it appears safe, it can be washed thoroughly, then cut into pieces and the inside checked before serving. Watch for pins or needles that may have been inserted, or discoloration that may be a result of a drug or poison injection.

- Hard candies, individual sticks of gum or even inexpensive party favors are the best type of treat to give or get. Make sure individually wrapped treats are secure in their wrappings.

Reports of poisonings and malicious pranks have increased in recent years, but their occurrence is still relatively small. By following the tips listed above, you can reduce your child's risk even further and still let him or her enjoy the pleasantly spooky atmosphere of Halloween.

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### **"...reduce your child's risks and enjoy the pleasantly spooky atmosphere of Halloween..."**

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The hours for post "Trick or Treating" in the housing areas will be from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. on Halloween, October 31. All children under eight years old must be accompanied by an adult over 21 years old. Arrangements at the quarters should also be made to have a central location at the foot of stairwells of each building.

Remember, Halloween is a night for ghosties, ghoulies, and children. With common sense, the night can be a 'howling' success....



# TROOP TALK

by Rebecca Hall

Seems like the news these days is money and Halloween. Hope both make you happy.

**SSgt. Ted Elisee** is TDY this week. Ted's gone back to Ft. Ben Harrison for the Newspaper Editors Course. Good luck with the course, Ted, and we miss ya.

This is also my last week with the Star Presidian. Good news to some, I know. However, I would like to take this opportunity, as well as that afforded me in Ramblin' Sam, to say thank you to the Presidio. During my two and a half years here I have made many friends — friends I will be sorry to say adios to. It's a small world, and we'll meet again. But for now, thanks. You've made the memories of my "Old Army Days" ones to be cherished. Again, thank you all.

Back to the business at hand. This week has been a pretty quiet week, all in all. **HHD 504th** and the **16th AG** (Postal) reported no news at all. Seems they're maintaining a status quo. Quiet weeks must be nice to have!

**HQ Co. USAG** reports getting in three new troops. **PFC Butler**, **Sp4 Cole** and **Pvt. Juber** have joined the ranks of Garrison. Welcome.

**Sp4 Clinton Richards** joined **D Co. 864th Engrs.** this week from Ft. McNair.

The 'dynamic duo' of the 51st Engrs, **Teresa** and **Lisa Hayes** have both been promoted to **PFC**. Congrats! The 51st is also going through its Annual IG this week. Good luck! Seems the troops from the hill have really been putting in some hours to get everything in line. Your work's appreciated, guys, hang in there!

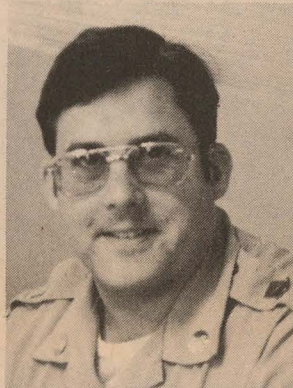
New personnel for the 170th MP Co. include **Sp4 Joel Williams**, **PFC David Smith**, from Ft. Knox, **Pvt. Samuel Spencer**, from Ft. Lee and **Pvt. William Karoly**, from Ft. McClellan. Welcome. Leaving the 170th are **PFC Laura Boyd** and **Sgt. Ronald Sovine**, both on their way to Germany.

The end of another week. Take care, enjoy the weekend and remember the word this week is kindness. Show a little kindness to your fellow man (or woman!) and it will be returned tenfold. That's also a good thought to keep in mind on Halloween. Give the kids an even break. Take care.

## Ramblin' Sam



**Sp4 Jose Whittaker, USAG:** "I like the streets of San Francisco on Halloween. The streets are like a circus. If you really want to see Halloween you've got to see it in San Francisco. It's also the only city where you really have to be careful who you say 'trick or treat' to!"



**SSgt. Don Delver, Crime Prevention, 163rd MP:** "What I like least about Halloween is that people, kids, take it that they can go out and break whatever they want, destroy whatever they want in the name of a good time. I'd like to see it as a holiday to be enjoyed, for people to have fun, dress up, go to parties, the Hookers Ball, that sort of thing. I resent it being used as an excuse to break things."



**Sp4 Debbie Miller, PAO Tour Guide:** "I like seeing the crazy costumes that kids, as well as adults, wear when 'trick or treating' from house to house. But, best of all I like the candy and the parties!"

What do you like best and/or least about Halloween?



**Sp4 Wynn McWhorter, 163rd MP Physical Security:** "I like to see the kids. They really get into it! They really enjoy knocking on doors, trick or treating and stuff. I don't have kids, myself, but I live in Pershing and all the kids come around. The kids, that's the best part of Halloween."

**Sp5 Rebecca Hall, USAG, PAO:** "Halloween has come to mean something very special to me. My husband and I were married on Halloween so this year makes the big two year mark. Happy anniversary, Bob! And this year's Halloween also means my ETS is only nine days away! Happy Halloween, everyone, thanks for your help during the last two years and good-bye!"



**Lt. Cara Gordenev, USAG, PAC:** "I like the Halloween parties the best. I like boring Halloween parties least! But, usually, Halloween's pretty good."



## S.P.O.R.T.S

### FLAG FOOTBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

"Losers Bracket Finals" Monday, October 30, 6 p.m., PX Field

"Championship Game" Wednesday, November 1, 6 p.m., PX Field

"If Necessary Game" Thursday, November 2, 6 p.m., PX Field

**SQUASH CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS:** **Bob Horn, LAMC**, after losing to **Mike McConnel** in the first round, fought his way back through the losers bracket and forced the "if" game with **Bill James, LAMC**, to win the Championship.

**Thomas Egan, LAMC**, who had reigned for the past four years as the Post Champion was eliminated by **Horn** on his way to the crown.

**BOWLING NEWS: Fort Scott League Results:**  
LAMC #2 4 87th Ord 0  
16th AG Det 3 51st Engr 1  
Ft. Baker Lab 3 170th MP Co. 1  
HQS USAG 3 INSCOM #2 1

### STARS OF THE WEEK:

**MSG JOHN RECKNER \* HQS USAG**  
(194-240-188 - 622 Series)  
**SFC JACK KAZMIERCZAK \* LAMC**  
#2 (222-183-213 - 618 Series)  
**SSG ROGER GOODMAN \* HQS 6th ARMY**  
(After 9 games - 220 Average)

### FLAG FOOTBALL RESULTS

**USAG 20 - FBI 8:** Garrison's quarterback **Frank Jones'** three touchdown passes in the first round of the Post Flag Football Championship knocked the **FBI** into the losers bracket as Garrison advances to face **LAMC #1** in the winners bracket. **Jones'** 7 yard pass to **Steven Byrd** was the initial score. **Jones** hit **Byrd** again for a 62 yard pass and run play for the second touchdown in the third period. **Jones'** final scoring pass was good for 47 yards, this time to **Bobby Washington** in the end zone. Two field goals by kicking ace **Fornier** were the only score for the **FBI** as the Garrison defenders kept **Rich Smith** and his receivers in check.

**LAMC #1 - 20 LAMC #2 - 16:** The League Champions and pride of LAMC took on the "Outcasts" of LAMC in the first round of the Flag Football Championship and revenge their only loss of the season with a hard fought 20 to 16 victory. **Willy Randolph's** 20 yard run in the first period and **Weinstein's** successful **PAT** sent LAMC #1 ahead 8 to 0. Quarterback **Eddie Nolan** of the "Outcasts" evened the score on a two yard run and successful **PAT**. After an exchange of downs, LAMC #2 was forced to punt. "**Flash**" **Gibson** took the ball on his own 31 yard line and took off behind some fine blocking down the field for a 49 yard run and a touchdown for a 16 to 8 half time advantage. **Nolan** took charge in the third period hitting **Britton** on a 33 yard scoring pass to knot the score at 16. Both defensive teams held the offense in check on hard clean play for the remainder of the game. Failing to score on the pass or run, LAMC #1 used the kicking game to win when **Weinstein** hit a 40 yard field goal.

## Crime Scene

By Don Delver

Vandalism or malicious destruction of property is a constant problem in cities and counties throughout the country. The Presidio is no exception, and each month both government and private property is deliberately damaged or destroyed.

Halloween presents special problems, as many people use it as an excuse to vandalize the property of others. The Provost Marshal recommends you take extra precautions during this holiday period.

Be sure to lock your car inside your garage if you have one, and for extra safety be sure your bicycles and any outdoor items are locked up when not in use.

Keep a sharp eye out for suspicious groups or individuals prowling or loitering in your neighborhood, and call the MP's if any are seen. Oftentimes people can be stopped before they do damage just by watching them.

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# Your next paycheck

## ...for the military...

Monthly Basic Pay Effective October 1, 1978

| PAY GRADE                                                                     | Years of Service |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |
|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|----------|
|                                                                               | UNDER 2          | 2       | 3       | 4       | 6       | 8       | 10      | 12      | 14      | 16      | 18      | 20      | 22      | 26       |
| Commissioned Officers                                                         |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |
| O-9                                                                           | 2923.20          | 3000.00 | 3063.60 | 3063.60 | 3063.60 | 3141.90 | 3141.90 | 3272.10 | 3272.10 | 3545.10 | 3545.10 | 3816.90 | 3816.90 | 4089.90* |
| O-8                                                                           | 2647.50          | 2727.00 | 2791.80 | 2791.80 | 2791.80 | 3000.00 | 3000.00 | 3141.90 | 3141.90 | 3272.10 | 3414.30 | 3545.10 | 3687.30 | 3687.30  |
| O-7                                                                           | 2199.90          | 2349.60 | 2349.60 | 2349.60 | 2454.90 | 2454.90 | 2597.40 | 2597.40 | 2727.00 | 3000.00 | 3206.10 | 3206.10 | 3206.10 | 3206.10  |
| O-6                                                                           | 1630.50          | 1791.90 | 1908.60 | 1908.60 | 1908.60 | 1908.60 | 1908.60 | 1908.60 | 1973.40 | 2286.00 | 2403.00 | 2454.90 | 2597.40 | 2817.00  |
| O-5                                                                           | 1304.40          | 1531.80 | 1637.40 | 1637.40 | 1637.40 | 1637.40 | 1687.20 | 1777.50 | 1896.30 | 2038.50 | 2155.80 | 2220.60 | 2298.30 | 2298.30  |
| O-4                                                                           | 1099.50          | 1338.30 | 1428.00 | 1428.00 | 1454.10 | 1518.90 | 1622.10 | 1713.60 | 1791.90 | 1869.90 | 1922.10 | 1922.10 | 1922.10 | 1922.10  |
| O-3                                                                           | 1021.80          | 1142.10 | 1220.70 | 1350.90 | 1415.40 | 1466.70 | 1545.30 | 1622.10 | 1662.00 | 1662.00 | 1662.00 | 1662.00 | 1662.00 | 1662.00  |
| O-2                                                                           | 890.70           | 972.90  | 1168.80 | 1208.10 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00 | 1233.00  |
| O-1                                                                           | 773.10           | 804.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90  | 972.90   |
| Commissioned Officers With Over Four Years Active Service as Enlisted Members |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |
| O-3                                                                           | 0.               | 0.      | 0.      | 1350.90 | 1415.40 | 1466.70 | 1545.30 | 1622.10 | 1687.20 | 1687.20 | 1687.20 | 1687.20 | 1687.20 | 1687.20  |
| O-2                                                                           | 0.               | 0.      | 0.      | 1208.10 | 1233.00 | 1272.30 | 1338.30 | 1389.90 | 1428.00 | 1428.00 | 1428.00 | 1428.00 | 1428.00 | 1428.00  |
| O-1                                                                           | 0.               | 0.      | 0.      | 972.90  | 1039.20 | 1077.60 | 1116.60 | 1155.60 | 1208.10 | 1208.10 | 1208.10 | 1208.10 | 1208.10 | 1208.10  |
| Warrant Officers                                                              |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |
| W-4                                                                           | 1040.70          | 1116.60 | 1116.60 | 1142.10 | 1194.30 | 1246.80 | 1299.00 | 1389.90 | 1454.10 | 1505.70 | 1545.30 | 1596.00 | 1649.40 | 1777.50  |
| W-3                                                                           | 946.20           | 1026.30 | 1026.30 | 1039.20 | 1051.50 | 1128.30 | 1194.30 | 1233.00 | 1272.30 | 1310.40 | 1350.90 | 1403.10 | 1454.10 | 1505.70  |
| W-2                                                                           | 828.60           | 896.10  | 896.10  | 922.20  | 972.90  | 1026.30 | 1065.00 | 1104.00 | 1142.10 | 1182.00 | 1220.70 | 1259.40 | 1310.40 | 1310.40  |
| W-1                                                                           | 690.30           | 791.70  | 791.70  | 857.40  | 896.10  | 934.80  | 972.90  | 1013.10 | 1051.50 | 1090.20 | 1128.30 | 1168.80 | 1168.80 | 1168.80  |
| Enlisted Members                                                              |                  |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |          |
| E-9                                                                           | 0.               | 0.      | 0.      | 0.      | 0.      | 0.      | 1182.30 | 1209.30 | 1236.90 | 1265.40 | 1293.30 | 1318.50 | 1388.10 | 1522.80  |
| E-8                                                                           | 0.               | 0.      | 0.      | 0.      | 0.      | 992.10  | 1019.70 | 1047.00 | 1074.60 | 1102.50 | 1128.00 | 1155.90 | 1223.70 | 1360.20  |
| E-7                                                                           | 692.70           | 747.60  | 775.50  | 802.20  | 830.10  | 856.20  | 883.50  | 911.10  | 952.20  | 979.20  | 1006.80 | 1019.70 | 1088.40 | 1223.70  |
| E-6                                                                           | 598.20           | 652.20  | 679.50  | 708.00  | 734.40  | 761.40  | 789.30  | 830.10  | 856.20  | 883.50  | 897.00  | 897.00  | 897.00  | 897.00   |
| E-5                                                                           | 525.30           | 571.50  | 599.40  | 625.50  | 666.30  | 693.60  | 721.20  | 747.60  | 761.40  | 761.40  | 761.40  | 761.40  | 761.40  | 761.40   |
| E-4                                                                           | 504.90           | 533.10  | 564.30  | 608.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40  | 632.40   |
| E-3                                                                           | 485.40           | 512.10  | 532.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80  | 553.80   |
| E-2                                                                           | 467.40           | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40  | 467.40   |
| E-1                                                                           | 419.40           | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40  | 419.40   |

## ...for the GS civilian...

General Schedule Rates as of October 1978

| Step: | 1       | 2       | 3       | 4       | 5       | 6       | 7       | 8       | 9       | 10      |
|-------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| GS-1  | \$6,561 | \$6,780 | \$6,999 | \$7,218 | \$7,437 | \$7,656 | \$7,875 | \$8,094 | \$8,313 | \$8,532 |
| 2     | 7,422   | 7,669   | 7,916   | 8,163   | 8,410   | 8,657   | 8,904   | 9,151   | 9,398   | 9,645   |
| 3     | 8,366   | 8,645   | 8,924   | 9,203   | 9,482   | 9,761   | 10,040  | 10,319  | 10,598  | 10,877  |
| 4     | 9,391   | 9,704   | 10,017  | 10,330  | 10,643  | 10,956  | 11,269  | 11,582  | 11,895  | 12,208  |
| 5     | 10,507  | 10,857  | 11,207  | 11,557  | 11,907  | 12,257  | 12,607  | 12,957  | 13,307  | 13,657  |
| 6     | 11,712  | 12,102  | 12,492  | 12,882  | 13,272  | 13,662  | 14,052  | 14,442  | 14,832  | 15,222  |
| 7     | 13,014  | 13,448  | 13,882  | 14,316  | 14,750  | 15,184  | 15,618  | 16,052  | 16,486  | 16,920  |
| 8     | 14,414  | 14,894  | 15,374  | 15,854  | 16,334  | 16,814  | 17,294  | 17,774  | 18,254  | 18,734  |
| 9     | 15,920  | 16,451  | 16,982  | 17,513  | 18,044  | 18,575  | 19,106  | 19,637  | 20,168  | 20,699  |
| 10    | 17,532  | 18,116  | 18,700  | 19,284  | 19,868  | 20,452  | 21,036  | 21,620  | 22,204  | 22,788  |
| 11    | 19,263  | 19,905  | 20,547  | 21,189  | 21,831  | 22,473  | 23,115  | 23,757  | 24,399  | 25,041  |
| 12    | 23,087  | 23,857  | 24,627  | 25,397  | 26,167  | 26,937  | 27,707  | 28,477  | 29,247  | 30,017  |
| 13    | 27,453  | 28,368  | 29,283  | 30,198  | 31,113  | 32,028  | 32,943  | 33,858  | 34,773  | 35,688  |
| 14    | 32,442  | 33,523  | 34,604  | 35,685  | 36,766  | 37,847  | 38,928  | 40,009  | 41,090  | 42,171  |
| 15    | 38,160  | 39,432  | 40,704  | 41,976  | 43,248  | 44,520  | 45,792  | 47,064  | 48,336* | 49,608* |
| 16    | 44,756  | 46,248  | 47,740* | 49,232* | 50,724* | 52,216* | 53,708* | 55,200* | 56,692* |         |
| 17    | 52,429* | 54,177* | 55,925* | 57,673* | 59,421* |         |         |         |         |         |
| 18    | 61,449* |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |         |

\*The rate of basic pay payable to employees at these rates would be limited to the rate payable for level V of the Executive Schedule, which is expected to remain at \$47,500.

## How it came about...

Effective with the next pay check, all federal employees, military and civilian will receive the 5.5 percent pay increase reflected in the pay charts above.

The increase becomes effective with the first full pay period beginning on or after October 1. For most white-collar employees, this means they start earning at the new rates on October 8th, and see the results in their first pay checks after October 21st.

The increase will affect 1.4 million Federal civilian workers, and equivalent raises will be given to 2.1 million military personnel. The total cost of the increase will be \$2.9 billion.

The Federal Pay Comparability Act requires the President each year to adjust the salaries of Federal white-collar workers so that they are comparable with salaries in the private sector for the same level work.

The Act also requires the President's Pay Agent (the Secretary of Labor, the Director of the Office of Management and Budget, and the Chairman of the Civil Service Commission) to recommend to the President the size of the adjustment needed to achieve comparability.

The Act, however, also permits the President to propose a different adjustment if he thinks it necessary because of "national emergency or economic conditions affecting the general welfare." Any proposal for a

different adjustment must be sent to Congress before September 1st.

If neither the House nor the Senate overrides the proposal, it goes into effect in October. If, however, either chamber disapproves the proposal, the recommended adjustment takes effect instead.

This year the President decided inflation made it necessary for "the Federal Government to set an example for labor and industry and lead the fight against inflation by example, and not just words alone." Accordingly, he proposed the 5.5 percent increase.



# News notes

## Health benefits

In anticipation of Employee Health Benefit Open Season, employees will have an opportunity to present their claim problems and health benefit questions to health plan representatives on October 30. Representatives from Blue Cross-Blue Shield, Aetna, Kaiser and Rockridge (a new comprehensive health plan available to employees residing in Alameda, Albany, Berkeley, Emeryville, El Cerrito, Kensington, Oakland, Piedmont and Richmond) will be available from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Bldg. 603. Blue Cross-Blue Shield will give a 1/2 hour presentation from 11 to 11:30, followed by a 15 minute presentation by Rockridge.

## Fall Clean-up

The Presidio Fall Clean-up Campaign will be conducted during the week of November 13 through 19.

The entire Presidio community will be asked to participate by organizing and coordinating a clean-up effort by all occupants of all family housing units as well as office, troop and administrative facilities.

The Presidio is one of the most beautiful military posts in the world. Let's all work hard to keep both our image and the post clean.

## Coffee hosted

Attention Enlisted Men's Wives! The EM Wives Club would like you to join them at 10 a.m., Wednesday, November 1, for a coffee. The host will be LTG Eugene Forrester.

For more information contact Jo Leach, 561-3550, or Lois Carter, 386-1775.

## Movies

### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Oct. 27, The Last Waltz (PG), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 28, Godzilla On Monster Island (G), 2 p.m.

Saturday, Oct. 28, Lazerblast (PG), 7 p.m.

Sunday, Oct. 29, Revenge of the Pink Panther (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 30, Revenge of the Pink Panther (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 31, Looking for Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, Looking for Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 2, Deathsport (R), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Oct. 27, Warlords of Atlantis (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Oct. 30, The Buddy Holly Story (PG), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 31, Bruce Lee: The Man/The Myth (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 1, If Ever I See You Again (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 2, The Last Waltz (PG), 7 p.m.

### REVENGE OF THE PINK PANTHER (PG)

Peter Sellers is back again as the bumbling police Inspector Clouseau. He dons many disguises and bumbles through lots of escapades tracking down an international drug ring. Some material may not be suitable for children. Soundtrack available at your local Exchange record counter.

### LOOKING FOR MR. GOODBAR (R)

Theresa Dunn (Diane Keaton) is a school teacher who works with deaf children by day and prowls the singles bars by night looking for temporary passion and excitement. She envies and tries to imitate her sister (Tuesday Weld) who is "into" the swinging singles scene.

**DEATHSPORT (R)** 1000 years after the Great Neutron Wars cannibal mutants and Range Guides, who underwent genetic changes, engage in Deathsport — a duel to the death between condemned prisoners, as a replacement for capital punishment. A chase across the desert with ambushes, a rescue from cannibal mutants and a samurai-style duel occur as Range Guides David Carradine and Claudia Jennings attempt an escape.

## Red Cross news

Skilled typists are needed now to assist in several Red Cross offices. Volunteers should be trained or experienced typists. Although speed is not important, accuracy is a must. You are welcome to work out any suitable schedule for day-time volunteer work, Monday through Friday.

Please call your Red Cross now, at 776-1500, ext. 275, for an appointment.

The San Francisco Red Cross needs volunteers to work with hospital patients. Available assignments include working with crippled children, with outpatients in clinics, with Occupational Therapy departments, and directly in general service wards.

Volunteers are assigned to give special attention to the needs of patients through friendly visiting, performing personal services such as letter writing, reading to children, etc. Volunteers usually perform these services on a half day per week basis.

Interviews are now being held for these assignments. Please call your Red Cross for details at 776-1500, ext. 275.

## Fall back

With the last Sunday in October comes the end of daylight saving time, as well. That's right, Sunday, Oct. 29, at 2 a.m. it'll be time to Fall back... one hour, that is.

So, remember to set your clocks **back** an hour Saturday night before you go to bed.

## EM Wives Club

The regular meeting for the Enlisted Men's Wives Club will be held Monday, November 6, at 7:30 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135. This meeting's topic will be Christmas wrapping, and how to do it.

For more information contact Jo Leach, 561-3550.

## Costume parade

The children of the Presidio Preschool Kindergarten will be having a costume parade on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31. The parade will leave the school at 10 a.m. and arrive in front of Letterman Hospital at approximately 10:15 a.m. At that time prizes will be awarded to the children whose costumes are the most original, most frightening, and the funniest.

Small gifts, 'happy-happys' made by the preschool children, will also be given to some of the patients at Letterman.

Parents are urged to attend and help supervise the parade to and from the hospital. Traffic will be momentarily halted by the M.P.s while the children cross Lombard and Dewitt Streets.

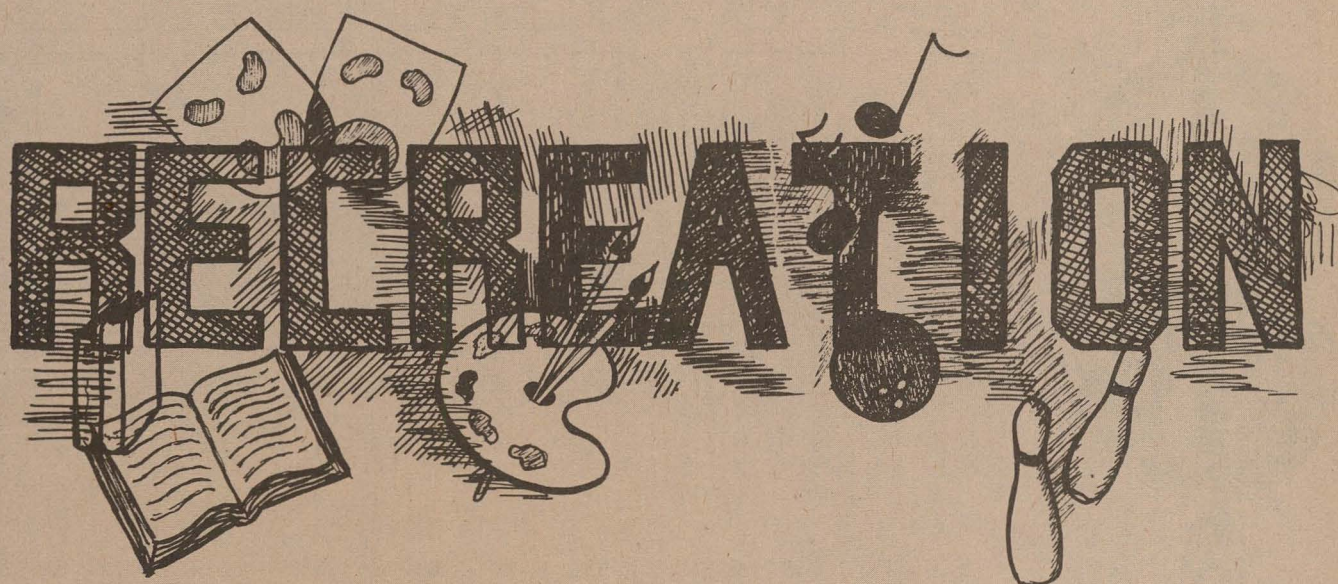
Please join them for a Happy-Halloween Parade!!!

## Laundry service

Procedures have been expanded to make payroll deduction laundry service more convenient for active duty personnel who normally do not report to their unit daily. This plan allows the individual a 25-piece bundle each week, military or civilian clothing, at a cost of \$8.00 per month or about .08¢ per item. Payroll deduction laundry bundles may now be turned in and picked up at the Laundry, Bldg. 1047, Monday through Friday, 7 a.m. - 5:15 p.m. Individuals who are not patrons of payroll deduction should inform their supply NCO if they desire over-the-counter service. Personnel who are not enrolled in the payroll deduction laundry program are encouraged to do so.

## College Prep

The College Prep ESL in an advanced class designed for non-native speakers of English, to help them develop the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills they will need for college. If you would like to improve your English in order to enter college or advance in jobs, enroll now by calling the Education Center 4419/2974 between 12:30 - 2 p.m., Monday through Wednesday.



The Presidio Recreation Center, Bldg. 135, will be closed November 1 - 5 due to the refinishing of the Main Lounge floor.

Persons wishing to purchase or pick up tickets from the ITT desk may do so between the hours of 2 - 6 p.m. on those dates.

There will be an Occult Halloween Party at the Recreation Center this Saturday night at 7:30 p.m. The party will feature a psychic, astrologer, tarot card reader and a personalist. There will also be apple bobbing, peanut races and surprise events. Refreshments will be served.

An Aerobic Conditioning Class is starting a new session. It will meet Mondays and Wednesdays, 6 - 7:30 p.m.

Stay out of checkmate and learn better moves with Chess classes on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. or learn the art of belly dancing and stay in shape at the same time on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Learn how to make your own clothes instead of buying them at higher prices. The sewing class meets Tuesdays and Thursdays, 7 - 9 p.m. At the

Disco Dance Class you can learn all the newest steps from the professional instructor on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m. Catch Disco Fever every Wednesday night with Bobby "G", the Soul Disco D.J. You can disco 9 p.m. till Midnight.

Sharpen up your game of pool with the fine instructor on Thursdays at 7 p.m. Also, a new ballroom dance class is just starting. You can learn this elegant style of dancing on Thursdays at 7:30 P.M. A new yoga class will begin on Thursday, October 26, at 6:30 p.m. Yoga is an excellent way to relieve tension and keep in shape.

Discounted tickets are available for the Grand National Rodeo and Livestock Show at the Cow Palace. Shows are for Oct. 28th at 10:30 a.m. and Nov. 4th at 1:30 p.m. On Sunday Oct. 29th at 8:30 a.m. take a tour of scenic Santa Clara County and learn how great wines are made. Bring your picnic lunch. Reserve your seat now. There are still some tickets left to a few choice 49ers games. Next game Nov. 12th, 49ers vs. St. Louis. Check with ITT office for other discounts. Call Ext. 2000/5480 after 2 p.m.



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# TROOP TALK

by Bob Mahoney

Everybody take a deep breath and let's go into one of the longest Troop Talk sessions in recent history.

It seems that people were arriving from all over while the people who were already here were being awarded a variety of stripes. We even had one individual, **Sp4 Brad Lester** of the **170th MP Co.**, finish the 26 mile 385 yard Mayor's Cup Marathon on October 29. His time was three hours and 45 minutes. I guess finishing any marathon is quite a "feet."

Other news from the 170th included two ETS's, **Sp4 Larry Cole** and **Sp4 Richard Eovaldi**.

Stripes came down like a monsoon rain at **HQ Co USAG** as **Magdalena King**, **Larry Tate**, **Martha Gnagy** and **William Robinson** all donned **Sp4** for the first time. **Cheryl Schoonover**, **Lisa Holloman** and **Margie Inscor** joined in the promotion joy as they pinned on PFC.

**SFC Sherrill Boyington's** retirement headed the list of personnel activity at **HHD 504th Military Police Bn.** Promotions to their present rank were **Sp4 Steven Brownwolf**, **Sp4 Jeffrey Corder** and **Sgt. Denise Scarboro**. **Sp5 Richard Waite** joined the battalion after a stint in Germany while **Sp4 James Barry** ETSed.

While half the unit is at Fort Irwin operating a field post office, the **16th AG Detachment Postal**, saw **Sp5 Ronnie Dwing** doing the Special Delivery act, sometimes called ETSing.

While all of the above was going on, the Engineer people on the hill were doing their thing. The **864th** greeted a whole bunch of people from Germany. The list included **SSG Thomas Estok**, **Sgt. Archie Webb**, **Sp4 Odiss Huff**, and **Sp4 Randy Sheppard**. **James Tuttle** hit the ever popular cutoff score and is anxiously awaiting those SSG stripes (any day now).

Next door at the 51st Engineer Detachment, **Sp4 Maurice Bryant** joined the ranks, arriving direct from Hawaii. **SSG Robert Strongman** and **SSG Al De Los Santos** departed the unit, moving to the 864th.

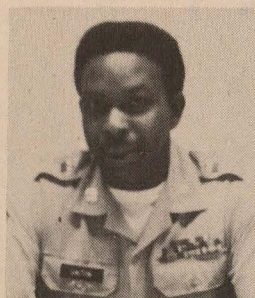
Now, if anyone has been able to hold their breath since the first paragraph, exhale. And remember, "Wherever you are, it is your own friends who make your world." Make your friends good friends.

See ya later!

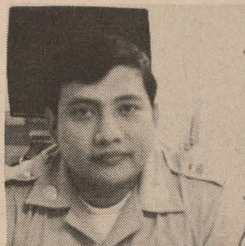
## Ramblin' Sam



**1st Sg. J.L. Dalton, HQ Co., USAG:** "I was treated fairly as far as housing was concerned and was given consideration as being assigned in a key position. I like the convenience of living on the installation and being in close proximity to the company and not being subjected to renting on the economy. However, if housing regulations were enforced more, living in government quarters would be more enjoyable for all concerned, especially those who believe in complying with housing rules and regulations."



**SSgt. Thomas Siguenza, SIDPERS:** "I think that family housing is a great deal, especially here since the cost of living is so high in the city. For the amount that is taken out of BAQ, you're saving a lot of money. I feel more secure living on post because you don't have to worry as much with the MP's around."

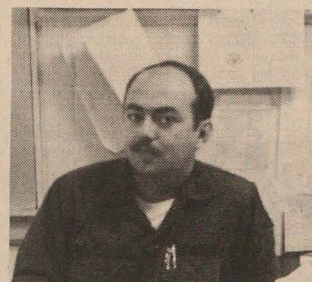


**Sp4 Nadine Romero, Enlisted Records:** "When I first came to the Presidio, I was a PV2 and nobody here lifted a finger to help me get my family a place to live, so we were forced to live in the city for a year and a half. When the housing regulations were changed here, it took me two days to get housing. Now I'm completely satisfied and I can't complain. We moved from a studio apartment into a two bedroom house and we have all the room we need."



## What do you think of Family Housing at the Presidio?

**Sp4 Michael Gardner, 163rd MP Co.:** "Family housing on the Presidio is adequate for the number of personnel with dependents assigned. However, the support given family housing residents by facility engineer maintenance personnel at times leaves a lot to be desired. My quarters are good, three bedrooms, which is adequate space for my family but it seems like whenever a major malfunction occurs that can't be handled by self help and a work order is called in, it takes numerous calls and complaints before it's acted on."



**Sp5 Janice Rodney, Identification Section:** "As far as getting my quarters, everything was great. It took me six weeks, if that, to get them. But since then, I've had run-ins with family housing. Sometimes in order to better the quarters, you have to do it illegally. For example, we have a problem with fox tails in our yard and we can't get rid of them. Family Housing will not let us kill the fox tails and replant the grass. But we can't do that because we'll get in trouble. Another complaint is the kids! They are unruly, rude, foul-mouthed, and have no respect for other people's property."



**Mrs. Rhonda Doine, COMPACT:** "I grew up in the military and have always lived in nice quarters. I have to admit that some quarters aren't as nice as others, but any place can be made livable with a little effort. Our present quarters are nice and I'm completely satisfied."



## OCONUS Training

by SFC Carol Chand

An American soldier wears a look of grim disbelief as he faces the forbidding wall that separates West and East Germany. Some miles away, a soldier assists with the supervision of an Ammunition Supply Point. And several thousand miles distant in Korea, a soldier is conducting a rigorous field exercise.

What is the common denominator? The U.S. Army Reserve. These citizen-soldiers are all Reservists engaged in OCONUS Deployment Training, or Training Outside of the Continental United States.

If you are leaving the Active Force soon and considering putting your military experience to good use by joining the Army Reserve, you should be interested in reading about this overseas training.

OCONUS Training is not a new way for the Army Reserve Components to spend their two weeks of Annual Training. It has been going on since 1972 when an Army Reserve unit trained in Okinawa. What is new is the increasing importance the program has assumed since then. This year, 27 Army Reserve units were designated for OCONUS Training, chiefly in Europe and Korea. The Army Reserve expects to place 40 units on overseas training next year.

If you are wondering why OCONUS Training is receiving more and more emphasis in our National defense structure, a description of the program's chief objectives should clear up the mystery. The two main purposes are to improve the readiness of participating Reserve Component units and the Active Commands overseas which employ them; and, to provide these Reserve units with realistic contingency, mission-oriented training where projections call for early deployment of those units. In theory and in practice, OCONUS Training for the Reserve is an excellent example of the Total Army policy, which integrates Active and Reserve Components for mobilization training.

Choosing the Reserve units and the overseas Commands for this training exercise is not a random selection. Reserve unit readiness is an important factor in the selection process.

Reservists learn much from their training experiences overseas. But it's a two way street. The Active Force learns something, too. For example, a host unit commander had this to say after a joint training session this summer, "I was pleasantly surprised at the expertise of this (Army Reserve) unit. It was beneficial for me and my personnel to have had this opportunity to understand and realize the type unit we would be receiving in the event of mobilization."

If you'd like more information about how you can make the transition from Active to Reserve soldier and continue to be on the defense team, see your Reserve Component Career Counselor, located at the WEL-COME CENTER, Building 227. Or, phone 561-5259.

### Tougher

## PSF Vehicle Code update

Beginning Monday, November 6, unauthorized parking and other non-moving traffic violations will be cited by the Military Police using the Magistrate's Ticket, DD Form 1805 instead of the less severe DA Form 1408, formerly called the DR.

According to Lt. Col. Carolyn Cain, Presidio Provost Marshal, the U.S. Magistrate and the PSF Staff Judge Advocate have determined that the Presidio Vehicle Code holds the same authority as a local ordinance and can legally be treated as such under the provisions of the State of California Vehicle Code.

The PSF Vehicle Code was reported in a recent issue of the **Star Presidian** and a number of violations were listed as subject to the DR. Among those were the various parking violations, riding motorcycles without a helmet and other non-moving violations.

Effective Monday, no more DRs will be issued. All citations will be issued on the Magistrate's form and will automatically require a fine of not less than \$5.00 depending on the violation.

For further information, call the MP Desk Sergeant at 561-2251 or 561-2252.

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# Housing!

by Bob Mahoney

**Who? — What? — When? — Where? — Why? — How?**

## 'Honey, I've been transferred'

You've just received notification that you're being transferred. One of your first concerns is, naturally, what are you going to do about the family. Where are we going to live?

This is one of the most common dilemmas existing in the Army today. However, this is also exactly why the Family Housing Division exists — to make the transition from one installation to another, from one set of family quarters to another, from one set of circumstances to another, as easy as possible for each and every service member.

First of all, before anything can be done about putting you and the family into housing at government expense, your eligibility must be determined. By filing an application with the family housing office of your new duty station, your specific eligibility can be determined and a date of eligibility established.

Advance application (DD Form 1746), which has been verified and authenticated by the post you're leaving will make your date of eligibility effective the day you leave your last duty station. Otherwise, your date of eligibility will be the day you physically apply at the Family Housing Office. What with travel time and delays en route, this could mean that you will have to wait for housing much longer than you have to, or want to.

Specific assignment of quarters will not, however, be made until the individual actually reports in for duty at the gaining installation. But failure to file an advance application will not give you that head start that helps reduce waiting time.

Your rank as well as the number, sex and age of your dependents will be used to determine other criteria for eligibility, in particular, the number of bedrooms required and authorized for your family.

All of this will be determined upon making application to the post Family Housing Office. At that time, you will be placed on the appropriate "Waiting List." There are six general classifications: General Officers; Colonels; Lieutenant Colonels, Majors and WO4s (Field Grade); Captains, Lieutenants, WO3s, WO2s and WO1s (Company Grade); E-9, E-8 and E-7 (Senior NCOs); and E-6, E-5 and E-4 (with over two years of service).

Chances are, you will have to wait before occupancy is available. Once it is offered to you, however, you may have only 24 hours to decide to accept or reject the unit. According to regulation, all personnel rejecting quarters will be placed at the bottom of the appropriate waiting list on the date of the rejection.

There are many variables in eligibility for quarters. This includes marital status, increase in the number of dependents, promotions, etc. To further clarify questions concerning eligibility, the Family Housing Division, located in the Welcome Center, Building 227, will be more than happy to accommodate you.

## Bay Area

## Rental Outlook

Individuals who are not interested in living in post housing, or who for some reason are not eligible for post housing, must live on the civilian economy:

Looking for an apartment or house is not the easiest thing in the world to do. The Housing Referral Office is there to help, but the final decision as to what is acceptable to you remains with you.

Rentals in the Bay Area are available, get rented quickly and have the added factor of high costs. A recent edition of a San Francisco newspaper listed apartments starting at \$135 a month for a studio, all the way up to \$1700 a month for a penthouse. In between, there are numerous listings for one, two, three bedrooms, views, no views, decks and balconies, good sections of town, bad sections of town, on public transportation, off public transportation ... it goes on forever. Apartments are available, but you really have to look ... and look hard.

Living outside of the city is another alternative. In San Francisco, you have three directions to choose from — North, East and South. Each direction has advantages and disadvantages.

North is Marin County with lots of open space, good services and good transportation access to the city. Costs are also high, although for the most part not as high as in the city itself.

Living south or east of the city complicates the transportation situation in that travel directly through the city is the rule rather than the exception. Costs are relatively high, although not as high as in the city.

Information from the Housing Referral Office (based on their market research) indicates the following "approximate" rental costs (Pre-Proposition 13) within a twenty mile radius of the Presidio:

- Unfurnished apartments — Studios \$200/up; one bedroom \$235/up; two bedroom \$275/up; and three bedroom \$350/up.

- Furnished apartments — Studios \$225/up; one bedroom \$275/up; two bedrooms \$350/up; three bedrooms \$500/up.

- Houses (unfurnished) — \$400/up.

Since the passage of Proposition 13, rental costs have increased some 15-20 percent over and above those prices listed.

The decision is yours.

## Housing Referral Office

## The Military Tenant

One of the largest dilemmas that face incoming personnel at the Presidio, or any other military installation, is very simply what to do with yourself and your family while you're looking for a place to live or while waiting for post housing.

With that in mind, the people of the Housing Referral Office (HRO), located in the Welcome Center Building, are ready to help out.

Very basically, the concept of housing referral is to provide assistance in the way of information and guidance in finding housing to military and Department of Defense civilians newly arrived in the area. This housing could be nothing more than a place to stay for a couple of days while you're looking in the civilian economy, or it could mean a place that will be your home for your entire tour of duty at the Presidio. Whichever category you fall into, it is the mission of HRO to give you as much assistance as possible in order for you to make the transition here as pleasant and painless as possible.

In the San Francisco area, high cost as it is, the assistance of the people at HRO is extremely valuable. One of the duties of the Office is to monitor housing costs and quality in the peninsula area in order to keep their fingers on the status of rentals. In that way, they can provide up to date information on what the market will be like in almost any community from San Bruno in the south to San Rafael in the north. Not only will they be able to provide cost estimates for rentals in any given area, but due to the constant monitoring, will even be able to provide listings where vacancies may most likely be available.

Of course, all housing listed by the office must meet certain criteria established by federal statute, to include adequacy, cleanliness and, most impor-

tantly, all housing listed must have a non-discrimination statement on file.

The Housing Referral Office will counsel all incoming personnel in all phases of off-post living. As part of this all important in-processing step, the HRO will give the new arrival a copy of the pamphlet "The Military Tenant." This pamphlet is an extremely comprehensive guide to your rights and responsibilities as a member of the Armed Forces as it applies to rentals.

The pamphlet covers all aspects of the rental process from looking for a place to live, to security deposits, to lease and rental agreements, to insurance. Not only does it tell you your rights and responsibilities, but it provides you with guidance as to what the landlord expects of you — important information to follow if you intend to maintain any sort of amicable relationship with the landlord and other tenants as well.

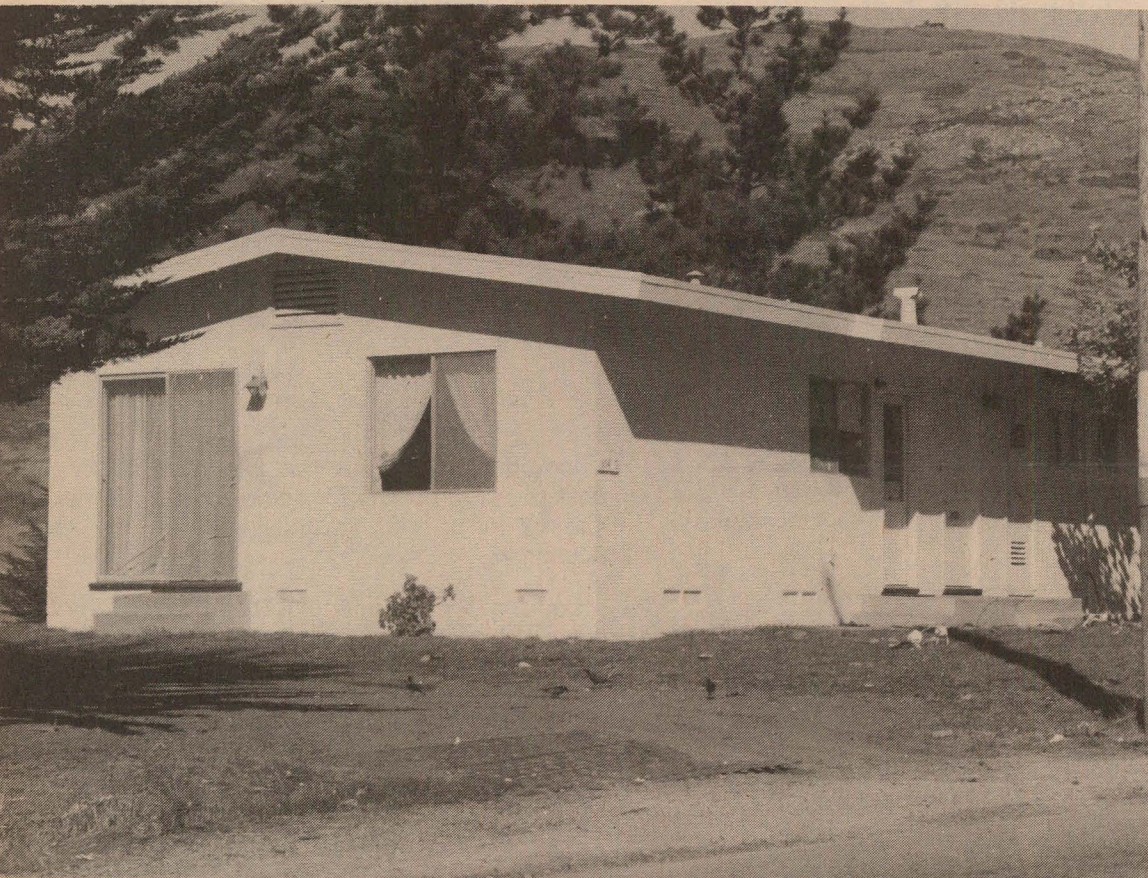
In addition to "The Military Tenant", the Housing Referral Office maintains a display rack full of interesting and valuable brochures covering a wide variety of subjects, not the least of which is a series of real estate guides for those interested in buying rather than renting. Also included on the rack are many, many bits and pieces of interest to the individual and family arriving in the Bay Area for the first time. It's a wonderful place to get oriented in your first few days in the greatest city in the world, the city by the Bay.

The Housing Referral Office is more than just a referral service. It's people helping people and trying to make people feel at home. After all, this will be home for a period of time. And the people at the Housing Referral Office are some of the nicest neighbors to meet.





Senior NCOs, Quarry Road



Junior NCOs, Fort Barry



Colonels, Simonds Loop

# PSF Housing policies revised

Col. Robert E. Roddy, director of Industrial Operations, in an October 30 public meeting in the Theater, announced a number of policy changes that will directly affect both current and future occupants of post housing at the Presidio.

The changes are the result of several months of study on the part of DIO and other post staff agencies. The ultimate goal of the study was to improve both on-post living conditions and the management of the Post Housing Division of DIO.

According to Col. Roddy, "As a part of this study, the major activities supported by the Presidio Housing Office were asked to examine five issues and provide recommendations for improvement. These five issues concerned: controlled quarters; key and essential positions; acceptance time; management techniques; and communications. Many ideas and recommendations were proposed. All were examined for workability and to insure they were in compliance with the Department of the Army's regulation on family housing management. All passed the test."

Highlights of the new policies were identified by Col. Roddy as follows:

- All quarters, except nine sets designated as either general officer's or position quarters (i.e., post commander) will be assigned not on the basis of which organization a person belongs to, but solely on the individual's grade and requirement for bedrooms.

- Positions designated as "key and essential", which are those positions which require the person's immediate availability on the installation beyond normal working hours, were re-evaluated to insure they met the criteria. As a result, the number of key and essential duty positions was reduced by 30 percent.

- Effective November 1, personnel who occupy "key and essential" positions will no longer be placed at the top of the waiting lists. Instead, they will be placed behind the "frozen" zone, the top 10 percent of the list.

- Potential occupants will only be allowed 24 hours (change from 48) in which to decide to accept or reject offered quarters. Exceptions to the 24 hour rule can be granted for valid reasons.

- Anyone who refuses a set of quarters which are adequate for their grade and bedroom requirement will be dropped to the bottom of the waiting list. Effective November 1, second refusal to accept quarters will cause the individual's name to be removed from the list. In such a case, reapplication for quarters must be made in writing through command channels with justification for reinstatement.

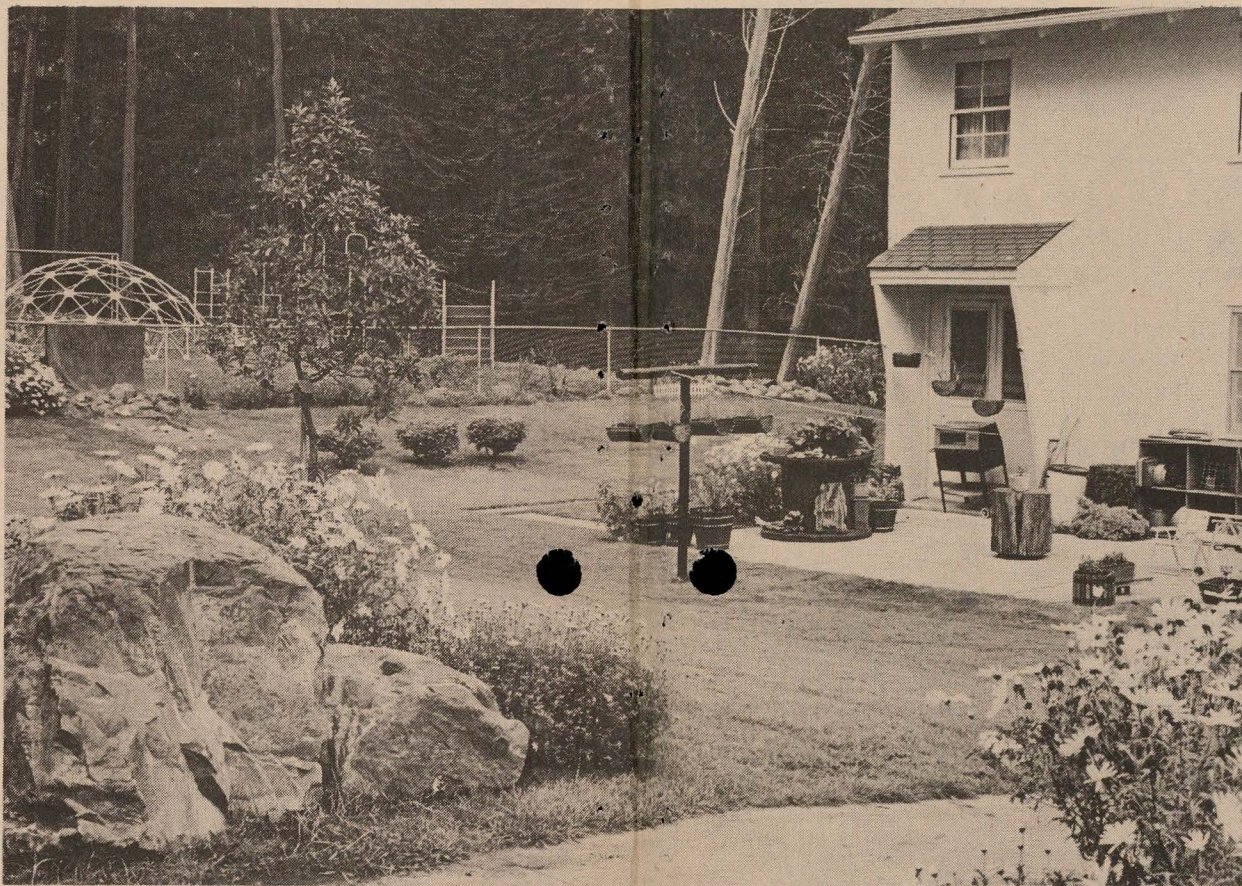
- All personnel who receive orders that will cause them to depart the Presidio on PCS now have a special instruction contained in the orders requiring them to report to the Family Housing Division within five days if they occupy family quarters.

- Information concerning positions designated as "key and essential" as well as those on waiting lists who occupy these positions is now on the display board in the Housing Office.

- Applicants for government housing will be given questionnaires which will provide direct feedback to housing management people enabling that office to work on areas that customers identify as requiring more effort or corrective action.

All of these actions are designed to improve the situation for all occupants, current and future. The goal is to be able to better serve the military community by more accurately projecting vacancies, cutting maintenance time and reducing the number of days a housing unit remains unoccupied.

The Department of the Army has established a constant occupancy goal of 99 percent. The changes in the Presidio housing policy are designed to achieve this goal while at the same time serving the present and future community as comprehensively, rapidly and fairly as possible.



One enterprising occupant of post housing knows how to use Self-Help materials.

Photos by Ken and Tina Juber

## Variety!

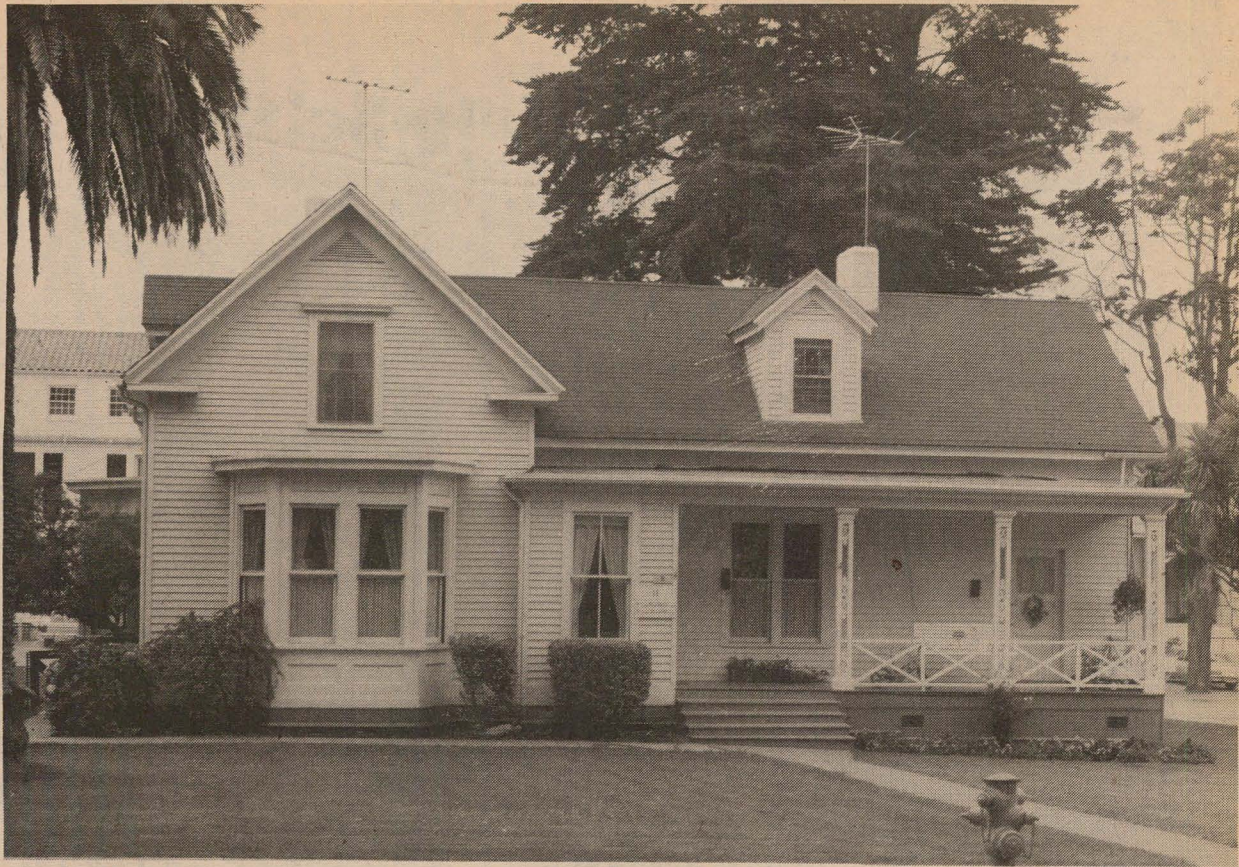
The photographs that appear on these pages of housing units at the Presidio of San Francisco do not, accurately represent the total housing picture. Instead, they simply demonstrate the wide variety of units that exists here.

Within each category, by grade and bedroom requirement, the variety of style, location and age is so

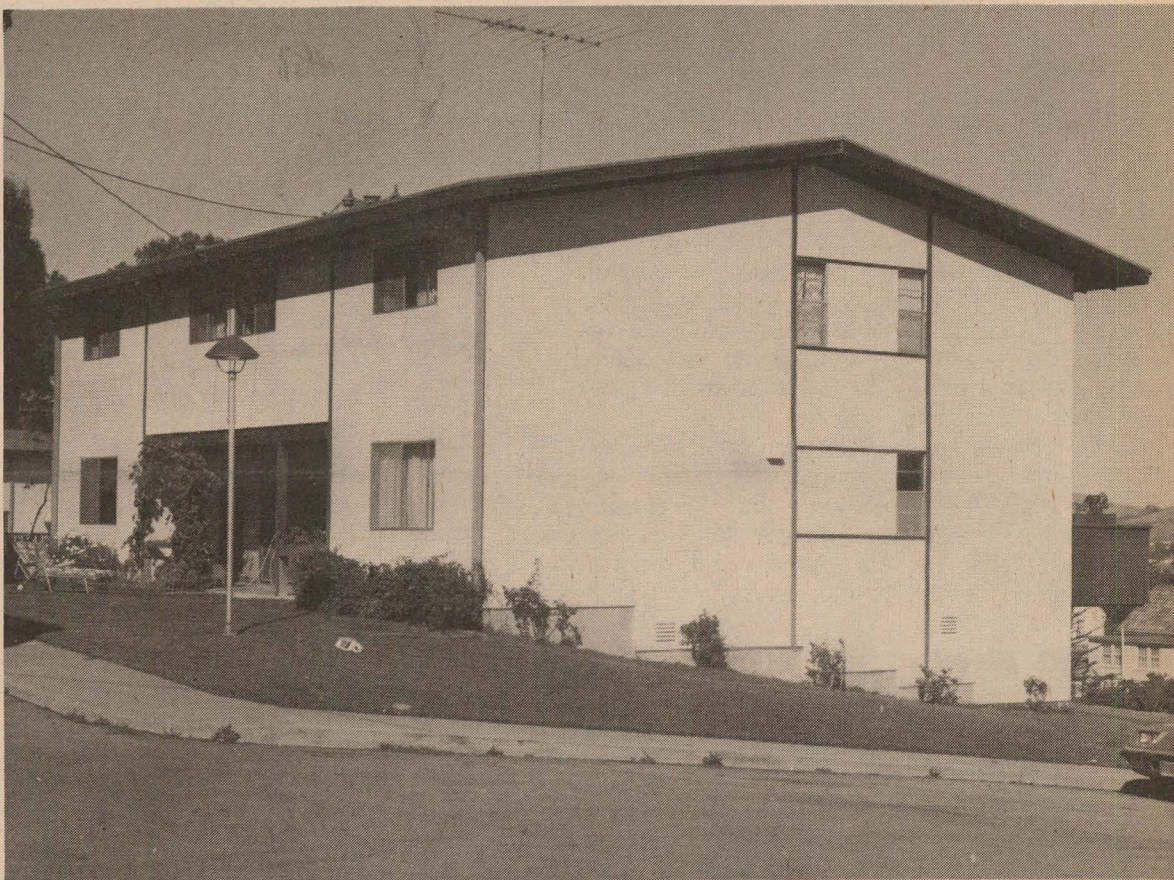
vast that it would take much more space than is available in the **Star Presidian**.

More photographs of other housing units that are also located at Presidio, Fort Mason and Fort Barry are on display at the Family Housing Office, located upstairs in the Welcome Center, Building #227.

More information can be obtained by contacting the Family Housing Office, 561-2040.



Company Grade, Funston Avenue



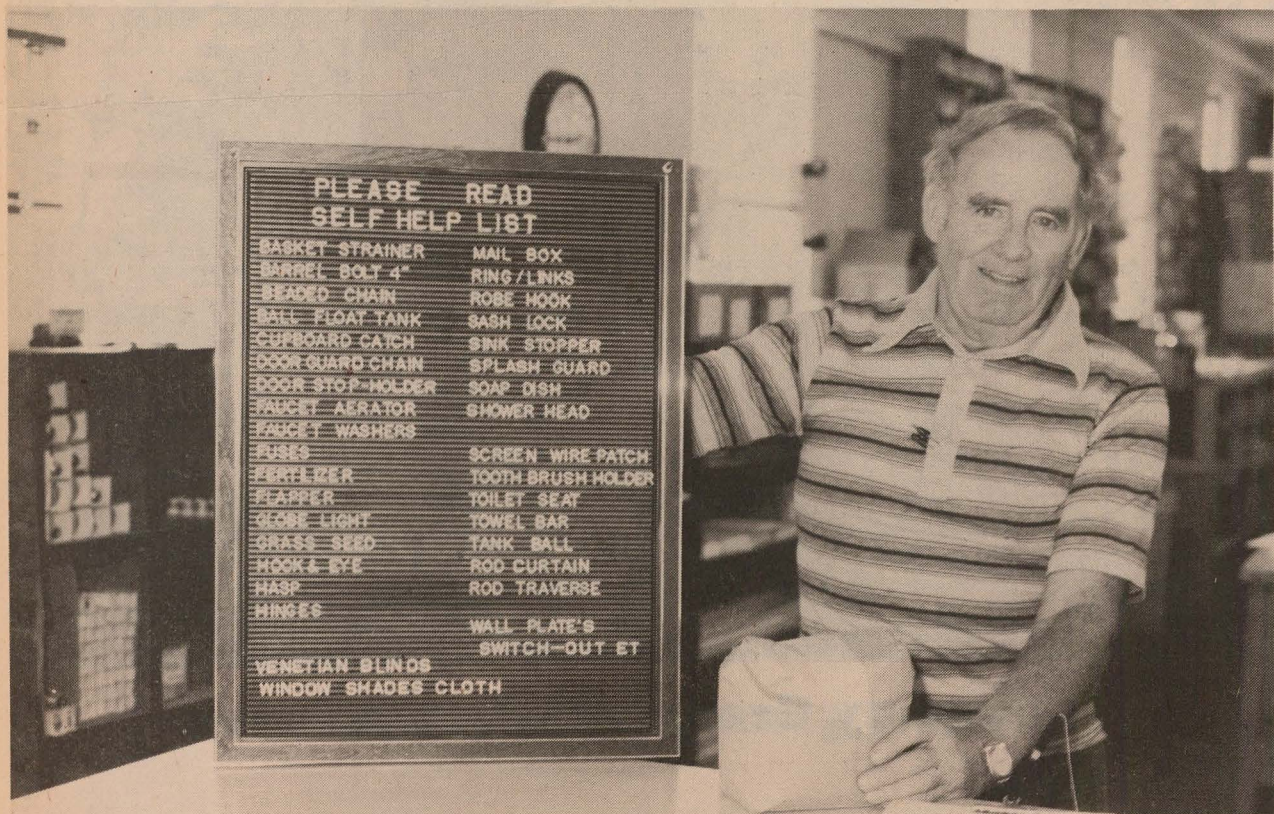
Field Grade, Lendrum Court



Senior NCOs, Liggett Avenue



## Self-Help; Help-Self



Walter Graff, operator of the post Self-Help Store, Bldg. 250, displays in-stock material for occupants of PSF housing units. (Photo by Ken Juber)

It seems that no matter how perfect a place to live actually is, invariably, something is bound to go wrong. It's just a part of nature.

It's true of all types of dwellings, apartments, houses, condominiums, cottages, cabins, tents, ad infinitum. And the same holds true for all types of government quarters, to include those under the auspices of the Family Housing Division here.

While major repairs are accomplished through the efforts of the Post Engineers, minor repairs fall under the responsibility of the tenant. These repairs cover a variety of areas such as routine maintenance all the way up to replacement of defective parts in plumbing.

The program is called Self-Help, and that's exactly what it is — helping yourself. By accomplishing the simple tasks required under Self-Help, you're not only getting the repairs done quickly, but you are saving the government, and yourself, some valuable time and tax money.

"But, I'm a classic Klutz," you say. Fear not, my friend because you have the information to accomplish any task covered by Self-Help. Upon entering into government housing, you have been issued a copy of DA Pamphlet 210-2, entitled "Handbook for Family Housing Occupants." This handy-dandy little guide tells you everything you ever wanted to know about first echelon home maintenance, but never had occasion to ask.

For instance, how would you repair a leaky faucet? Try page 4-3.

How about removing chewing gum from asphalt tile? Try page 3-9.

And how about fixing Aunt Bessie's lamp? (You know the one you got as a wedding gift that's been sitting up in storage forever and now Aunt Bessie's coming to visit?) Try page 4-12.

Self-Help works. Try it.

## Conservation: an ongoing process

So now you've moved into those government quarters that you so patiently waited for. You're home.

As part of the normal caring for your home, you should be concerned with something that every citizen should and has recognized — conservation of all your utilities and energy sources.

Some of these utilities come readily to mind, such as electricity, gas and natural gas. Others are not so readily recognized, such as water.

Here are just some of the things to keep in mind when you are using energy:

- **Turn off all unnecessary lights.** A judicious use of lighting will save considerable electricity. Use lights outdoors only for reasons of safety.

- **Turn off appliances when they are not in use.** For instance, when you are doing the wash, turn off the television. And while you are doing the wash, make sure that you're doing a full load. One full load instead of two half loads saves both electricity and water.

- **If you have an electric stove or range,** use only enough electricity to do the job. Too much heat wastes electricity.

- **When watering the lawn,** use only enough water to soak the ground. Once the water starts to run off the lawn, that's a sure sign that you've used too much. Avoid reaching the point when that happens. Use only enough to irrigate, not drown.

There are many other ways to conserve energy that are nothing more than common sense. Before doing anything that requires anything more than your own energy, think twice and conserve.

### Helpful Hints

## Clearing Quarters made easy

So, you're in the process of being reassigned to Fort Riley, Kansas. You've already taken care of filing an advance application for quarters there and you're now concerned with leaving the Presidio with the fewest amount of hassles, and that includes vacating the quarters that you've been entrusted with for the past two years.

One of the first things you must do in the clearing quarters process is to notify Family Housing within five days of the receipt of your PCS orders. This will allow Family Housing to project the vacancy and make it easier to tell incoming personnel approximately when to expect a housing assignment.

Since you were concerned upon occupancy that your quarters should be as clean and maintenance free as possible, doesn't it seem logical that the next tenant might expect the same treatment? Well, that's the philosophy of the housing inspectors. And you can satisfy the inspectors by thoroughly following the Quarters Clearance Instruction Checklist provided through the Family Housing Office.

While space here limits a complete listing of everything on the checklist, here are just a few highlights as to what is expected of a departing tenant:

- Everything must be free of dirt, grease, smears, marks, etc.

- All wood floors must be paste waxed. Tile floors thoroughly cleaned and built up wax removed.

- Windows clean, inside and outside where practicable.

- All trash should be gone from the premises.

- Grounds and surrounding premises will be policed, lawns mowed and a neat external appearance maintained.

- Light fixtures will be cleaned and all light sockets will have a working bulb.

- All hooks and nails should be removed carefully from all walls and ceilings.

- Ranges must be thoroughly cleaned by removal of all grease from burners, oven, grill, grease pan and other parts.

- Personal property must be removed from quarters prior to final inspection.

Readers might have noticed the constant repetition of the word "thoroughly." That word is perhaps the key in proper quarters cleaning. Thoroughness makes the whole process easier for all involved.

Occupants can contract with commercial cleaners to take care of the quarters clean-up, but it is still the responsibility of the service member to ensure that all specifications for quarters' clearance are met. Remember, failure to pass inspection could delay your departure.

Just remember that when you moved in, you expected things to be clean and workable. The next tenant expects the same. And the previous occupant of the quarters you're getting at Fort Riley will be operating under the same guidelines.

Best of luck in your next assignment. And enjoy.

### Clip and Save

### Quick housing info

This brief description of the housing outlook at the Presidio is by no means complete.

The photographs of the various housing units are only partially representative of what is available here. And the time you spend on the various waiting lists varies with the rank of the sponsor, the number and sex of the dependents and even the time of year of the assignment.

Due to the extreme number of variables in-

involved, direct contact with the Family Housing Office and other staff agencies will allow you to direct your specific questions to the people with the answers.

For your convenience, the following is a list of key offices, locations and phone numbers that will make your arrival and tour of duty at the Presidio as easy and enjoyable as possible:

**FAMILY HOUSING  
SELF-HELP**

**WORK ORDER DESK (Eng)**

**TRANSPORTATION (Outgoing)**

**TRANSPORTATION (Incoming)**  
Oakland Naval Supply Center

Bldg. 227 (Welcome Center)

Bldg. 250

Bldg. 280

Bldg. 39

415-561-2040

561-4361

561-2104

561-4887/4829

Last names A-K 466-6223

L-Z 466-6463



# Blood drive November 8

Patients at Letterman Army Medical Center need an average of 600 pints of blood a month. From July through September of this year, our hospital used a total of 1,635 pints of blood and blood components for active and retired military personnel and their dependents.

From trauma victims to cancer patients to heart and elective surgeries, blood and blood components are a vital part of their treatment. Recently one young man on base developed an antibody to his own platelets. Platelets, found in your blood cells, are essential for the clotting of our blood.

The patient received numerous platelet transfusions to combat this life-threatening condition. The platelets were there for him when he needed them because of voluntary blood donations - donations that came in part from blood collected at mobile blood drives.

On Wednesday, November 8, the Presidio will sponsor its next mobile blood drive. Putting together a blood drive is an awesome responsibility ..... one that is necessary if we are to make certain the blood will be there when it is needed. Many long weeks of preparation go into our blood

drives. We hold four mobiles a year and collect approximately 400 pints of blood during that time.

Letterman Army Medical Center is our military community's major medical facility. Its staff works daily with the Irwin Memorial Blood Bank seeing that patients requiring blood transfusions receive quality care. The Presidio mobile blood drive is an important support system in providing that quality care.

Donate, Wednesday, November 8 from 8 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Recreation Center, Bldg. 135.

## S.P.O.R.T.S

**LAMC #1 - 21 — GARRISON 20:** Garrison drew first blood on a **Frank Jones'** pass to **Fred Lewis** for 13 yards and a score. **Bobby Washington's** successful PAT added two more for Garrison for an 8 to 0 advantage. In the final minutes of the first half, **LAMC's Willy Randolph** hit **Dwayne Gibson** from two yards out for six points. **Doug Weinstein's** PAT split the uprights to even the score at 8 to 8 at half time.

In the third period, Quarterback **Frank Jones'** 39 yard touchdown pass to **Bobby Washington**, followed by a successful PAT, sent Garrison ahead 16 to 8.

**LAMC** had problems moving the ball against a tough Garrison defense so once again depended on their kicking specialist **Doug Weinstein** who booted a 35 yard field goal at the start of the final period to narrow the gap to four points.

**LAMC's** defensive unit forced Garrison to try for a field goal from 13 yards out midway in the final period. **Bobby Washington** rose to the occasion and put four points on the board for **Garrison** and an eight point advantage going into the final two minutes of play.

With time running out and facing a fourth down, pass interference in the end zone gave **LAMC** a new series of downs. **Willy Randolph** used this break to toss an 18 yard touchdown pass to speedster **Dwayne Gibson**. **Weinstein's** two point conversion forced the game into an overtime period.

In the ensuing eight alternating downs, **LAMC** contained **Garrison** just a yard and a half from their midfield for a one point victory and a spot in the finals of the PSF Flag Football Championship.

**Garrison** moves into the finals of the loser's bracket hoping for a victory against **LAMC #2** and a chance to meet the League Champions, **LAMC #1**, once more.

**LAMC #2 - 25 — FBI 24:** In one of the finest Flag Football Games of the season, **LAMC #2** knocked the **FBI** out of the Post Championship. Trailing 16 to 8, **LAMC #2** tied the score in the third period on Quarterback **Nolan's** 14 yard touchdown pass to **Laymon**.

In the final period, the **FBI** surged ahead 24 to 16 on a **Rich Smith** to **Dick Otstott** touchdown

pass and **Pierre Fournier's** successful PAT. **LAMC #2** came roaring back on Quarterback **Nolan's** 16 yard touchdown run with time running out. A successful PAT forced the game into an overtime period.

**LAMC #2** had first possession and penetrated nine yards into **FBI** territory. Incompleted passes by both teams kept the ball on the **FBI** side of the field giving a one point victory to **LAMC #2**.

**LAMC #2** now moves into the finals of the loser's bracket against **Garrison**.

**GARRISON 14 — LAMC #2 - 0:** **Fred Lewis** took a kick on his own 20 yard line in the second period and, behind some fancy footwork, speed and outstanding team blocking, raced 60 yards for a **Garrison** touchdown. **Bobby Washington's** two point conversion sent **USAG** ahead 8 to 0 at half time.

**LAMC #2** was kept in check throughout the game by the **Garrison** defenders and hard charging linemen. **Frank Jones'** 24 yard touchdown pass to **Fred Lewis** late in the final period was icing on the cake as **Garrison** moves into the finals against **LAMC #1** for the Post Flag Football Championship.

### Bowling Stars

**Roger Goodman, HQS 6th ARMY**, fired 236-201-279 for a 716 series, the first "700" series at the Presidio Bowling Center in over two years. After 15 games **Goodman**, in the Intramural Bowling League, is averaging 200. **Ron Ely, LAMC**, rolled 212-173-245 for a 630 Series.

### Intramural Basketball League

An organization meeting for the formation of the Presidio Intramural Basketball League will be conducted at the Post Gym, Bldg. 63 at 3 p.m., November 8. Coaches and managers submitting an entry in the league will be required to attend this meeting. For further information, contact the Sports Office, telephone, 561-4120/5032.

### Basketball Officials

All personnel interested in officiating basketball during the 1978-79 season are urged to contact the Sports Office, telephone 561-4120/5032.

### Intramural Soccer

The 1978-79 Intramural Soccer competition is scheduled to begin in late November.

Soccer rules as modified for intramural competition by the Presidio Sports Branch will govern competition. Copies of the rules may be obtained at the Post Gymnasium, Bldg. 63.

Units desiring to field a team in the competition are asked to notify the Sports Branch no later than November 17.

Teams will be notified concerning the scheduling of soccer clinics which will be conducted at the Post Gym.

### Aquarius Swim Team

On October 28 and 29, the Aquarius Swim Team along with their coach, Don Perez, participated in the Benicia Blue Dolphins Swim Meet held in Benicia, Ca. Twenty-one swimmers returned to the Presidio with a total of 57 place ribbons.

Two swimmers, Mike Trenker and Brian Meegan, qualified for the Far Western Championships by swimming to "AAA" times in the 100 yard breaststroke.

Swimmers obtaining new "A" times were Robin Wicks in 50 yard free-style and 200 yard Individual Medley; Polly Slisz in 50 yard breaststroke and 100 yard butterfly; and Delia Rivera in 50 yard breaststroke.

The other ribbon winners were: Bianca Trenker, Wendy Siefert, Derek Trabel, Mark Russo, Denise Tietze, Donna Hibbs, Margie Moore, Andre Lafayette, Brian Russo, Wendy Rivera, Sara Adams, Debby Havis, Julie Adams and Annette Tietze.

## Christmas

### mailing dates set

DA has announced the mailing periods for sending Christmas parcels to persons overseas using the APO system.

Army postal officials report that special efforts will be made to process this mail through the gateway cities in the U.S. as quickly as possible.

All correspondents are encouraged to mail early.

| LOCATION                | PRIORITY | LETTERS | PARCEL AIRLIFT (PAL) | SPACE AVAILABLE (SAM) | SURFACE |
|-------------------------|----------|---------|----------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| AFRICA                  | 9 DEC    | 9 DEC   | 18 NOV               | *                     | *       |
| ALASKA                  | 16 DEC   | 16 DEC  | 9 DEC                | 1 DEC                 | 1 DEC   |
| AUSTRALIA               | 2 DEC    | 2 DEC   | 18 NOV               | *                     | 28 OCT  |
| CARIBBEAN/WEST INDIES   | 14 DEC   | 14 DEC  | 30 NOV               | 22 NOV                | *       |
| CENTRAL & SOUTH AMERICA | 2 DEC    | 2 DEC   | 18 NOV               | *                     | *       |
| EUROPE                  | 12 DEC   | 12 DEC  | 28 NOV               | 21 NOV                | *       |
| FAR EAST                | 12 DEC   | 12 DEC  | 28 NOV               | 21 NOV                | 28 NOV  |
| GREENLAND               | 9 DEC    | 9 DEC   | 1 DEC                | 25 NOV                | 25 NOV  |
| HAWAII                  | 16 DEC   | 16 DEC  |                      |                       | 1 DEC   |
| ICELAND                 | 14 DEC   | 14 DEC  | 30 NOV               | 22 NOV                | 22 NOV  |
| MIDEAST                 | 5 DEC    | 5 DEC   | *                    | *                     | *       |
| SOUTHEAST ASIA          | 2 DEC    | 2 DEC   | 18 NOV               | *                     | 28 NOV  |

\*Parcels should have been mailed from these areas prior to 15 November.



# News notes

## Recreation Center

The **Aerobic Conditioning Class** is starting a new session on Nov. 6. It will meet Mondays and Wednesdays at 6 p.m.

Learn the art of belly dancing and stay in shape at the same time on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Make your own clothes instead of buying them at higher prices. This sewing class starts a new session on Nov. 7. It will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays at 7 p.m.

Learn all the newest disco steps from our professional instructor on Tuesdays at 7:30 p.m.

Private half hour piano and violin instruction is now available. Classes are being scheduled Tuesdays through Thursdays 2 p.m. through 9 p.m.

Catch Disco Fever every Wednesday evening with Bobby "G", our Soul Disco D.J. You can disco 9 p.m. through Midnight.

Learn the elegant style of Ballroom dancing on Thursdays at 7:30 p.m.

Yoga is an excellent way to relieve tension and keep in shape. This class meets on Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.

We now have discounted tickets for the great **Oakland International Festival** at the Oakland Municipal Auditorium. Tickets are for Friday Nov. 10 5 - 11 p.m. and Saturday and Sunday Nov. 11 and 12 11 a.m. - 11 p.m.

Discounted tickets are now available for the Ice Capades at the Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum. Tickets are for Nov. 22, 8 p.m., Nov. 23, 8 p.m., Nov. 24 2 p.m. and Nov. 25 4 p.m.

There are still some tickets left to a few choice 49ers games. Next game Nov. 12 vs. St. Louis.

Check with us for other discounts. For further information call Ext. 2000/5480 daily after 2 p.m.

## Presidio Players

The Presidio Players' 12th Season will open on November 10 with "LOVERS AND OTHER STRANGERS," five adult comedies by Renee Taylor and Joseph Bologna. The production will

play on Fridays and Saturdays at the Presidio Playhouse at 8 p.m. through December 2.

There will be three Sunday Dinner Theatre Shows, on November 12, 19 and 26, in conjunction with the Presidio Officers' Club. A buffet dinner, including prime rib, will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by the performance at the Playhouse at 7 p.m. Tickets are \$2.00 for regular performances and \$8.75 for adults and \$5.75 for children under 12 for the Dinner Theatre Shows. Tickets are \$1.00 less for military personnel, dependents and retired military, upon presentation of I.D.

The Playhouse Box Office is open from 1 - 5 p.m., except Sundays, and 30 minutes before performances.

"LOVERS AND OTHER STRANGERS" treats the perennial battle of the sexes in comic terms in the relationships of several different couples. Among the cast members are Sp4 Denise Scarborough, 504th MP Bn; Pvt. Broderick McIntyre, HQ, USAG; Sp4 Eartha Knowles, LAMC; Sp4 Brenda Bolam, 170th MP Co.; Maj. Catherine Kennedy, 6th Army; and Maj. K.C. Sorenson, Oakland Army Base.

Production staff members include Sp4 Eileen McElroy, USACC Agency; Sp4 Kathy Baird, 170th MP Co.; Pvt. Isabel Anderson, USAG (MISO); E6 Joseph Armstrong, LAMC; Sp4 Timothy Maimone, 6th Army Band; and Capt. Thomas Cannon, USAINSCOM.

## Family Photos

Family photo portraits will be taken at the Presidio Preschool, building #572 on Tuesday, November 14. All Presidio families as well as Preschool families are invited to have their photographs taken at the school beginning at 5:30 p.m. through 8:30 p.m. on the 14th.

The basic package price for one 8x10 and four 3x5's will be \$10. Other print sizes are available on a reorder basis. Delivery will be in time for Christmas, approximately three weeks. Families will need to prepay for the pictures at the setting.

There must be 20 families participating in order to take advantage of this reasonable price. If you do plan to have your family portraits taken, please call Mrs. Arlyene Ballard at the Preschool 561-4805, so that a setting time may be scheduled for your family.

## Letterman Womens Club

If you're ready for a winter fun vacation on the slopes the Letterman Womens Club would like to help you prepare for a terrific ski season. Dan Weyland and Bella Levine, the authors of City Guide, will be the guest speakers at the November 9th luncheon. They will give a review of winter ski vacations in the California area. Also the F.T.C. ski shop on 1598 Bush in San Francisco, will give a fashion show of ski apparel.

The program will be especially beneficial this season since the P.X. is no longer carrying ski equipment.

The luncheon will be held at the Fort Mason Officers Club. The sherry hour will begin at 11:15 a.m. Lunch will be served at 11:45.

## Girl Scout Calendars

The Presidio Girl Scout 1979 Calendar Sale began November 1 and will end November 26. Wall calendars and pocket calendars cost \$1.00 each.

Profits from the sale help to support Presidio Girl Scout troops.

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## Movies

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### PRESIDIO THEATER

Friday, Nov. 3, Deathsport (R), 7 p.m.

Saturday, Nov. 4, Three Warriors (G), 2 p.m. and 7 p.m.

Sunday, Nov. 5, Eyes of Laura Mars (R), 7 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 6, Eyes of Laura Mars (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, The Great Smokey Roadblock (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, The Other Side of the Mountain - Part 2 (PG), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 9, The Driver (R), 7 p.m.

### SCHWARTZ/LETTERMAN

Friday, Nov. 3, Lazerblast (PG), 7 p.m.

Monday, Nov. 6, The Models (R), 7 p.m.

Tuesday, Nov. 7, Revenge of the Pink Panther (PG), 7 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 8, Looking for Mr. Goodbar (R), 7 p.m.

Thursday, Nov. 9, Cherry Hill High (R), 7 p.m.

**VOTE!**

**Tuesday**

**November 7**

# Education Center Services

## ARMY CLASSIFICATION BATTERY PREPARATION PROGRAM

The ASVAB Prep Program will be held from Nov. 13, 1978, to Jan. 26, 1979, with a Holiday Break from Dec. 18 to Jan. 1. Class resumes Jan. 2. This program is an intensive review of English and math in preparation for retaking the Army Classification Battery tests. Emphasis is placed on small group study. Classes are held Monday through Friday 7:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. For further information or to enroll, call the Ft. Scott Education Center, 2974/4445.

**ALL PURPOSE MATH CLINIC** — This is an individualized program structured to reduce math anxiety, prepare for career advancement, or organize household finances. You will be able to brush up on basic math and algebra skills to meet personal goals. Enrollment is limited so please call in advance. Classes are scheduled to begin Nov.

14, and will be held on Tuesday and Thursday 4 p.m. - 6 p.m. For more information or to enroll, call the Education Center at 4445/2974.

**COLLEGE PREP ESL** — This advanced class is designed for non-native speakers of English to help them develop the reading, writing, listening, and speaking skills they will need for college. If you would like to improve your English in order to enter college or advance in your job, enroll now by calling the Ft. Scott Education Center 4419/2974 between 12:30 p.m. and 2 p.m., Monday through Wednesday.

**U.S. CITIZENSHIP COURSE** — This course is designed to help foreign-born persons prepare for U.S. citizenship test and for those new citizens who would like to continue learning more about the United States. Active duty military, their adult dependents, and civilian personnel who work at

the Presidio can enroll in the course. Class will begin Nov. 13 and continue on an open basis throughout the Fall. Classes will be held Monday through Friday, 1 p.m. - 2 p.m. There is no fee for this course. For further information or to enroll call the Education Center, 4445/4419.

## GED AND COLLEGE TEST PREPARATION

This course is designed to prepare individuals for the English grammar and literature section of the high school GED State Equivalency Examination as well as the English portion of the SAT, ACT, and CLEP tests. The class can be used to brush up on all aspects of the English language including composition and term paper writing skills. An instructor will be available at the Ft. Scott Education Center Tuesday and Thursday, 2:30 p.m. - 5 p.m. on an open enrollment basis. Call the Education Center 4445/2974 for more information.



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## • Travel entitlements come for junior enlisted soldiers

Junior enlisted soldiers should begin receiving dependent travel and household goods benefits to overseas assignments on November 1, according to DA and MILPERCEN officials.

The junior enlisted travel (JET) entitlements, passed by Congress, will soon put junior EM on the same footing as more senior soldiers. The entitlements package authorizes the Army to spend \$46.4 million this year for soldiers in grades E-4 with less than two years service and E-1 through E-3 to move their families.

The JET program does not apply to moves within CONUS or to overseas areas where dependents are restricted from residing.

Benefits that families in these grades were eligible for shipment of 225 pounds of combined military and personal goods.

Officials stressed that, while all junior EM are eligible for these benefits, they are still subject to approval of dependent travel to overseas.

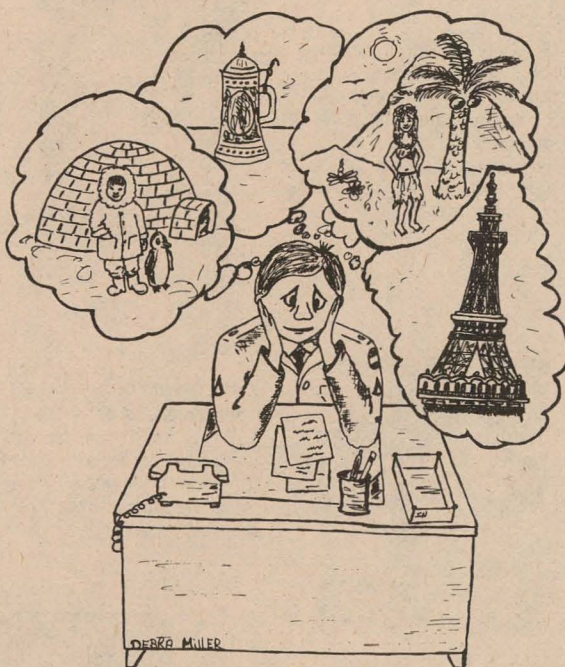
For soldiers now in CONUS and alerted for overseas assignment, this means that they must apply for and receive approval for dependent travel before receiving JET entitlements.

For soldiers now serving overseas, who want dependents to join them or who want the Army to pay for return dependent travel to CONUS, this means they must complete the minimum overseas command sponsored tour.

Eligibility for JET entitlements does not guarantee dependent travel, concurrent travel or housing in government quarters, officials stressed.

Junior enlisted soldiers are not eligible to reside in government quarters, according to DOD directives.

Approval of dependent travel is subject to availability of civilian quarters in an overseas command, officials explained. If such quarters are available for occupancy within 60 days after a sponsor arrives overseas, concurrent, or joint sponsor-dependent travel, will be approved.



If quarters are not available for at least 61 to 140 days after a sponsor's arrival overseas, officials noted, deferred travel will be granted, meaning that dependents will join their sponsor at a later date.

Because many soldiers who are eligible for JET entitlements are first term enlistees and within one or two years of ETS, officials added, they should be aware that they must extend and serve the minimum command-sponsored tour length (usually three years) before dependent travel is approved. (A soldier with 18 months remaining service, for example, would have to extend 18 months to receive dependent travel if assigned to Germany).

In addition, officials cautioned, the Army command in Europe recently issued a strong warning about financial hardships junior EM can expect to encounter there.

In Germany, where most eligible families would be expected to take advantage of jet entitlements, the dollar this week fell to record lows against the German Mark exchange rate levels.

This increases the cost of paying German rents and utilities which the command says are much higher than average costs in the U.S.

Costs for setting up households in Germany, the command said in August, could run \$1,000 or more for deposits and advance rents. Minimum auto liability insurance premiums, for a married soldier under age 25, the command added, begin at \$400 annually.

A junior enlisted soldier should carefully consider whether or not he wants to take his dependents overseas at all. One official remarked, "And if he's just finishing AIT, for example, he only has one week to make that decision and apply for dependent travel."

While advance pay and other allowances help offset expensive costs in Europe, officials said, soldiers should keep in mind that their future paychecks will be smaller during repayment of advance pay.

JET applications for dependent travel will be handled by local MILPOS, officials observed. They advised soldiers wanting to apply for JET entitlements to ask MILPOS for a DA Form 2370 (Application for Dependent Travel) and DD Form 1056 (Dependent Passport Application), adding that soldiers and dependents should have birth certificates, citizenship papers and other vital documents ready for travel request processing.

More information on specific requests can be obtained at local MILPOS (**ARNEWS**)

**Editor's Note:** For further info, contact Mr. Rodney Williams, Presidio PCS Processing ext. 3419 or your unit PSNCO.

## Nation recalls Armistice

### the 11th hour...



It is particularly fitting that Veterans Day should be returned this year to the traditional Nov. 11 Armistice Day observance, since 1978 marks the 60th anniversary of the silencing of the guns of World War I.

The hostilities, which began late in July 1914, were suspended on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month of 1918. At war's end, General John J. Pershing said to the men of the American Expeditionary Forces: "The enemy has capitulated. It is fitting that I address myself in thanks directly to the officers and soldiers of the American Expeditionary Forces who by their heroic efforts have made possible this glorious result. Our armies, hurriedly raised and hastily trained, met a veteran enemy, and by courage, discipline and skill always defeated him...."

The World War I armistice led to spontaneous and boisterous demonstrations in the United States and all over the world. Then veterans returned to their civilian pursuits, those who did not lie under the fields of crosses scattered across Europe.

In the following years, Armistice Day ceremonies were always led by the contingents of former doughboys. As age reduced their ranks, they have been given the place of honor at the head of processions on Armistice Day and the subsequent Veterans Day.

The war dead are also especially honored. Focal point for the Nation's memorial services on Veterans Day is the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier in Arlington National Cemetery, located in Virginia just across the Potomac River from Washington, D.C.

In 1920, two years after the WW I Armistice, an unknown French soldier was buried under the Arc de Triomphe in Paris, France, while across the English Channel, a British unknown soldier was buried in Westminster Abbey in London, England.

The following year, a U.S. unknown soldier was buried in Arlington National Cemetery with honors such as the Nation's capital had not seen since the end of the Civil War. The remains of unidentified war dead from subsequent U.S. wars have also been interred there at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

Many thousands of Americans did not return to the United States after World War I and are resting in graves all over Europe. In 1923, the American Battle Monuments Commission was created to erect and maintain memorials in the United States and foreign countries where U.S. Armed Forces had served. The beautiful chapels and other memorials, which are part of these cemeteries, set the tone for cemeteries that would be established years later to honor the dead from World War II, Korea and Vietnam.

The smallest of military overseas cemeteries is the Flanders Field American Cemetery and Memorial in Belgium. A poem written about the war dead buried there could well

apply to the Nation's honored military dead in all cemeteries:

"Take up our quarrel  
with the foe!  
To you from falling  
hands we throw  
The torch. Be yours to  
hold it high!  
If ye break faith with us  
who die  
We shall not sleep,  
though poppies grow  
In Flanders fields."



# Letter to the Editor

Dear Editor:

In your October 13 issue, there were two things that really disturbed me: The comments by the CSM, insofar as he thought the best way to resolve the question of male/female intervisitation should be decided by the Democratic Process — however, did he really mean that the women only should vote? Would that not disenfranchise the decision from the men? As it stands now, my mother couldn't visit me in my room, I could not play a game of Chess with the admin specialist while listening to the radio....

Somehow, I feel that we single persons are being penalized by the fact that we are not accompanied. Don't we give more to the Army per dollar wage, what with no dependent housing, and the host of other programs that are set up for the dependents? Somehow, I feel that there should be more single generals in the Army. We view this as an inequity. (I take the liberty for speaking out for single personnel, here.) I am tired of seeing this truly Victorian attitude in **Today's Modern Army**. This is one of the myriad of things that would make me hesitant about advising someone else to join the Army.

The latest change by Col. Hamilton, concerning the PSF Vehicle Code really has some Orwellian impact on the motorcycling community. I realize that surely the Colonel has nothing but the best intentions for his troops. However, the requirement that all motorcyclists wear a helmet seems to infringe on one's freedom of choice.

As it stands, I cannot think of any conclusive survey that concretely shows that fatalities and cranial trauma is lessened at the speeds that one travels on post. Indeed, there are even reports that conflict with each other, for every state that has deemed it necessary to conduct an investigation of this matter does so with a different set of rules and requirements.

How one could make a rational, intelligent decision on that escapes me. Does the Colonel fasten his seat belt? When the buzzers didn't shut off in car, as they now do after 3 seconds, did the Colonel fasten the seat belts behind his back, or disconnect the wiring? When was the last time he rode a motorcycle regularly? I don't like people forcing their decisions upon what should be a personal decision. Shades of Oliver Cromwell, here.

Cordially,  
Gary Biermann  
Sp5, USA  
HQ, WRRC  
Fort Beler, CA

Dear Gary:

There were a number of things that disturbed us about your letter.

We wonder if you really read the Sergeant Major's interview. In our opinion, the Sergeant Major was very explicit about his feelings on the single soldier. He said, "My goal is to improve conditions for every soldier living on post, especially the living conditions for the younger soldiers, and single soldiers living in the barracks. I want to emphasize that my door is always open to any soldier who has ideas for making our living standards better."

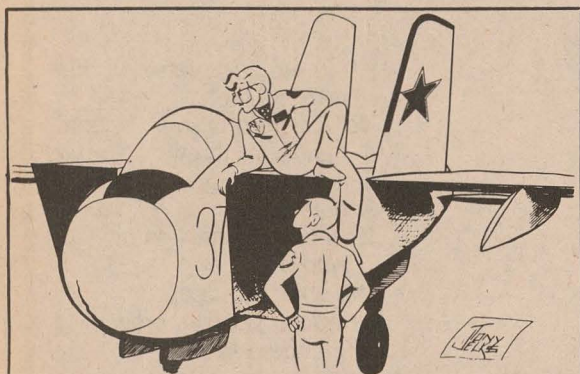
We suggest a visit with the Sergeant Major would turn around your skeptical attitude.

As for the commander, once again we feel you miss the message entirely. The colonel does act in the best interest of the community and is not playing "Big Brother." Colonel Hamilton listens to his advisors and makes rational decision.

Call us a mouthpiece for the establishment. That's okay.

It appears your attitude reflects a need to disrespect all authority. Sorry, Gary, we don't sympathize with you. We encourage you to re-evaluate your feelings and let us hear from you again.

The Editor

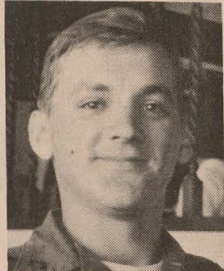


"Well, this confirms the report of Soviet technological superiority—they've got AM-FM eight track, factory air, crushed velvet seat...."

## Ramblin' Sam



Is the public brainwashed by TV and newspapers?



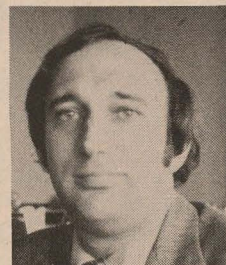
PFC Gary Lee, MP, 170th MP Co. — "It is a mild form of brainwashing. If you keep influencing people over and over again, pretty soon they will believe what they are hearing. People should search for other areas to form opinions."

Mr. Phil Loribitt, Auditor, Presidio Comptroller's Office — "By and large the media provides subjective information on the world happenings. The media is a protective element of our system of government."



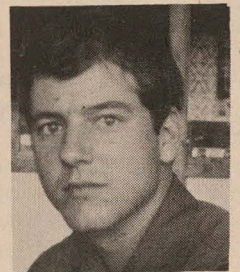
Sp4 Carol Wilson, Lab Technician, LAIR — "Yes, I feel we are. Most people don't have the time to study the issues on their own. As a result, we are at the mercy of the mass media."

1SG Hugh Daffin, 163rd MP Co. — "Yes, too much is produced about who is killing who and who is raping who. There is too much violence in the media today, and not enough about the good that exists in our public."



Mr. Bob Robbins, Systems Accountant, Presidio Comptroller's Office — "Overall, I would say no, but in the case of advertising for products and political candidates, I would say yes."

Sp4 Andy Charlson, MP, 170th MP Co. — "I don't think so. Newspapers and TV provide information. If people limit themselves to just these two outlets, then this would be the extent of their knowledge. They can't possibly expand themselves."



Sgt. Greg Rayburn, MP, HHD, 504th MP Bn. — "Yes, the public has no other way to get their information except through the news media."

## Editorial

by Ted Elisee

# The computer is running our lives

Last night while reading the newspaper and glancing at the news on TV, my little girl pulled on my shirt sleeve and said, "Daddy, when are you going to the commissary?" "Probably on Saturday" I replied. "Why Jennifer?" "Cause ya gotta buy El Flako Cereal!" she said in earnest.

"El Flako Cereal." "Why El Flako?" I queried. "Because it has plenty of vitamins, meets the minimum daily requirements, and it has a prize in it, too." "You know, Daddy, like they do it all for you!"

I choked on my low in tar and nicotine cigarette and just smiled. "Jennifer, I said, you watch too much TV."

"No I don't, Daddy." "I just watch a lot of Captain Cosmit." "He said that El Flako is the best cereal he ever ate."

I dragged on my low in tar and unusually mild in taste cigarette and glanced at my newspaper again. The page told me I had the opportunity to drink beer made from fresh spring water, if I dared to be different.

My wife was in the bathroom talking to this little guy in the toilet bowl. The guy was scrubbing the rust stains off the porcelain, and humming away.

In my bedroom there was a little old lady roughing it up with some fruit like men in my underwear.

My next door neighbor was having a tough time trying to decide between a liquid cold remedy or a pill. In the meantime he took a sleeping remedy to avoid making a decision. His poor wife was being hassled by Mrs. Alsen, the coffee lady.

I turned the newspaper page and the latest Trollop Poll said that people prefer to be led by the nose, because they can't make a decision by themselves.

And, to add insult to injury, the TV commentator said the computer projected all the winners even before the votes went to the polls.

I closed my eyes and just smiled. I didn't have a thing to worry about.

All I had to do was eat El Flako, drink spring water tinged with alcohol, drag on a low tar cigarette, let a little man clean my toilet bowl, forget the chicken soup because my neighbor was sleeping soundly, tell Mrs. Alsen that I drink tea, and let the polls decide what I like.

After all, I'm in good hands with .....

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# PSF Spotlight

by Ted Elisee

Sp4 Ken and Pvt. 2 Tina Juber are Mr. & Mrs. Juber, too. Now that's no big deal in today's world, but how about the fact that they are both photographers and work out of the Presidio photo facility?

Ken, a native of Providence, Rhode Island, met Tina of Los Angeles, CA in AIT at Lowry AFB, Colo. Ken said that he joined the Army, "because I wanted individual recognition for my photo work." Before he entered the Army he was in photography and drama.

Dina, who did some modeling before she entered the Army, said that she just wanted to do something different, and, "I'm glad I did." "I have a good job, a good assignment, and Ken, too."

Both Ken and Tina are happy to be here and plan to do a great job as a team in the Photo Facility.



Ken and Tina Juber

## LAMC nips Garrison

Team Captain Willy Randolph led the Pride of LAMC to the gold trophies as LAMC #1 soundly defeated Garrison 20 - 8.

LAMC #1 struck first on a 60 yard touchdown bomb from quarterback Randolph to Doug Wienstien with just four minutes in the first period. Doug Wienstien, who has not missed a PAT all season, missed on the try to put LAMC ahead 6 to 0. Garrison's quarterback Frank Jones threw two touchdown passes in the first period, however, each score was nullified by a penalty. Garrison finally scored in the final minutes of the second period when Frank Jones ran around his end from 5 yards out to put Garrison on the scoreboard.

A successful PAT by Bobby Washington sent Garrison ahead at half time 8 to 6. In the second half it was all LAMC as quarterback Willy Randolph hit speedster Dwayne Gibson for a 38 yard touchdown pass. PAT by Weinstien was wide. Score LAMC 12 - Garrison 8.

Quarterback Frank Jones long bombs to Fred Lewis and Bobby Washington was either knocked down or intercepted by LAMC's defenders. Garrison's running game was slowed down by some great defensive plays as LAMC continued to contain Garrison's offensive power.

Randolph's 35 yard touchdown pass to Bush in the final period followed by Weinstien's successful PAT was all LAMC needed in winning the 1978 PSFC Flag Football Championship.

At the conclusion of the Championship game, Colonel Desmond B. Dewey, DPCA, and Captain Henry T. Smith, RSO, presented team trophies to the Champions and Runner up teams and individual trophies to the Champions and Pride of LAMC.

## Cross Country

The Post Cross Country Championship will be held Wednesday November 15th at noon.

Start and finish for the race will be at Post Gym #1, Bldg. 63. The length of the race is 5000 meters (3.1 miles).

For further information, call ext. 4120.

## Basketball season

Play on the hardwood will begin November 13, as units throughout the Presidio will be shooting that little round ball into an 18 inch hoop. Play will start at 6 p.m. Monday thru Thursday at Gyms #1 and #2. Schedule for the first week of play is as follows:

|                      |             |
|----------------------|-------------|
| MONDAY 13 Nov        | Gym #2 1800 |
| USAG vs LAMC #1      | Gym #2 1915 |
| LAIR vs LAMC #2      | Gym #2 2030 |
| 864th Engrs vs FBI   |             |
| TUESDAY 14 Nov       | Gym #2 1800 |
| LAMC #3 vs 6th Army  | Gym #2 1915 |
| 16th AG vs P.H.S.    | Gym #2 2030 |
| INSCOM vs DENTAC     |             |
| WEDNESDAY 15 Nov     | Gym #1 1800 |
| 170th MP vs 163rd MP | Gym #1 1915 |
| USAG vs LAMC #2      | Gym #1 2030 |
| LAIR vs FBI          |             |
| THURSDAY 16 Nov      | Gym #2 1800 |
| USACC vs LAMC #3     | Gym #2 1915 |
| INSCOM vs P.H.S.     | Gym #2 2030 |
| 6th Army vs DENTAC   |             |

Entries are now being accepted for the Presidio Women's Basketball League. Interested players to include military, dependents and Department of the Army women employees of the Presidio are urged to contact Mr. Bobbie Gascon or Charles Hammes of the Presidio Sports Office for further information, telephone 561-4120/5032.

# Troop Talk

by Ted Elisee

It certainly is good to be back from Indiana.

The office has been quiet without Rebecca Hall around. The staff was really sorry to see her go. She gave a lot to us and to the Presidio community. We miss you, Beckie!

HQ Sixth Region CIDC had a picnic recently. A good time was had by all. The HQs overcame the Field Office in the Volleyball competition.

SFC Joseph Burns is off to Ft. Ord for the First Shirt course. The HQ welcomes Chris Marquis to their Personnel Admin Staff. Farewells are bid to Sheila Johnson who is going to work for the Provost Marshall's Office.

The 163rd MP Co. reports the promos of Beatrice Baker, Josette Lupoe, and William Gnagy to Sp4. Jimmy Basher was promoted to SSgt. Congrats to all of you. Departing for Germany are Sgt. John Petit and Cpl. David LaRoche. ETSing is Sp4 Robin Joy Baldwin. Also promoted was Alex Mojarado to E-5.

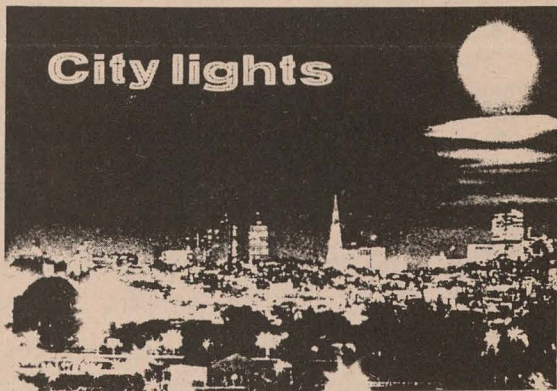
16th AG Postal reports the award of the ARCOM to Sp4 Craig Thompson from his former command in Karlsruhe Germany.

USAG bid farewell to Sp5 Rebecca Hall and Sp4 Catherine Underhill who ETSed. Also congrats are in order for Kathy Julliard who was promoted to Sp4.

As usual, 864th Engrs had a long list to report. The unit welcomes the arrival of Sgt. Michael Merlette from Ft. Bragg, and Sp4 Clinton Richards from Germany. ETSing is Sp4 Donald Lawrence. Recently, PVT Michael Suchy successfully completed Wheel Vehicle Mechanics School. Sp4 Charles Hamilton successfully completed the TAMMS Course at Ft. Lewis. This is a great move says the unit!

Well, that's about it. Take care all. Be careful over the long weekend. In the meantime, Love is like time, there is never enough of it.

## Coming Soon



Watch for it!

## Dancers come to the Presidio

The Cook Island Performing Arts Company currently touring the Bay Area will conduct a special performance for Presidio personnel in the Presidio Recreation Center, Tuesday, Nov. 14, at 8 p.m.

The group, from the Cook Islands of the South Pacific, are visiting the United States to gain support from private and public sectors for the building of the Cook Islands Performing Arts Theater, thus giving the Cook Islands arts a facility as a school of learning as well as for rehearsals and performances.

The Cook Islands themselves are a group of some 15 islands with a total population of 18,000. The people of the islands are Polynesians known as Cook Island Maori, closely related to the natives of New Zealand, Tahiti and Hawaii.

Led by their director, Turepu Turepu, the group will perform a series of native dances designed to tell the story of life in the island chain. Among their repertoire are the Takitumu Warriors War Dance, the Men's Akari (Coconut) Harvesting Drum Dance, the Matapoki (Masked) Warriors Dance and the Drum Rhythms of Raratonga.

All personnel assigned to the Presidio are invited to attend.





## IN MEMORIAM

The Presidio of San Francisco paused Tuesday to mark the passing of Brigadier General Louis M. Nuttman. In his memory a brief service was held in the Presidio Post Chapel at 11:00 a.m. Friends of the family, professional colleagues and military personnel were in attendance.

General Nuttman died November 4th at Letterman Army Medical Center at the age of 104. At the time of his death he was the oldest living graduate of the United States Military Academy at West Point.

## Clarke promoted Two star general

The first woman Commanding General in U.S. Army history received her second star on November 2, making her the Army's first Major General.

Maj. Gen. Mary E. Clarke, Commanding General of the U.S. Military Police School/Training Center and Ft. McClellan, was promoted during a ceremony at Ft. McClellan.

Promoting Gen. Clarke to her new rank was Lt. Gen. John R. Thurman, III, Deputy Commanding General, U.S. Army Training and Doctrine Command (TRADOC).

Maj. Gen. Clarke began her military career as an enlisted woman in August, 1945. While an enlisted woman, she served as a finance clerk, supply sergeant and acting first sergeant. Following service in assignments which included the Berlin Brigade during the Berlin Airlift, Clarke attended WAC Officer Candidate School at Ft. Lee, Va. In September, 1949, she was commissioned a second lieutenant.

Other assignments included: Battalion Commander, Women's Army Corps Basic Training Battalion, Ft. McClellan, Al; Commander/Commandant of the Women's Army Corps Center and School, Ft. McClellan and Director, Women's Army Corps, Department of the Army, Washington, D.C. On May 18, 1978, she became Commanding General of Ft. McClellan.

Maj. Gen. Clarke's decorations and awards include the Legion of Merit, Meritorious Service Medal and the Army Commendation Medal. She is listed in the 1978 edition of Who's Who in America.

## Doyle drive to have facial uplift soon

Sandblasting and painting of Doyle Drive support span #2 over Lincoln Blvd., between Crissy Ave. and Cowles Street will start on November 17 and be completed by December 1.

Traffic will continue to have access through Construction Zone, although traffic lanes will be altered or controlled by flagmen.

It is suggested that during the two week Construction period, that Crissy Field Ave. and Kobbé Ave. be utilized as much as possible to by-pass work area on Lincoln Blvd., thus not creating a traffic or safety problem.

## Presidio players prepare new season

The Presidio Players' production of **Lovers and Other Strangers** will open the 12th Season at the Presidio Playhouse on November 10 and play on Fridays and Saturdays at 8 P.M., through December 2.

There will be Dinner Theatre Shows on Sundays, November 12, 19, and 26, in conjunction with the Presidio Officers' Club. A buffet dinner, including prime rib, will be served beginning at 5:30 p.m., followed by the performance at the Playhouse (1/2 block away), at 7 p.m. The Playhouse Box Office is open from 1-5 p.m., except Sundays, and 30 minutes before performances. Tickets are \$2.00 for regular performances and \$8.75 for adults and \$5.75 for children under 12 for the Dinner Theatre Shows. Tickets are \$1.00 less for military personnel, dependents and retired military, upon presentation of I.D.

**Lovers and Other Strangers** is composed of 5 adult comedies, treating the perennial battle of the sexes through the relationships of several different couples.

Tryouts will be held on November 28 and 29 for **The Miracle Worker**, the stirring dramatization of the real-life story of Helen Keller. In addition to the adult roles, a girl is needed for the part of Helen Keller, and several girls for the other roles. Tryouts are open to anyone interested, and an appointment time from 7-10 p.m. on one of the above dates can be made by calling 561-3992 from 1-5 p.m.

## Commander requests Fall Clean up drive

The Presidio Fall Cleanup will be conducted here during the week of November 13 through 19.

In making the announcement, Col. John Hamilton, Presidio Post Commander, has asked all senior occupants of the government buildings and facilities on the installation and its sub-posts to organize and coordinate a cleanup effort by all occupants of their respective buildings or facilities.

The Commander also identified several areas that should be included in all cleanup efforts. These include an area beautification effort in a 25 meter distance from your building, a coordinated effort to clean out and sort out useless items from internal areas and the development and maintenance of good area beautification habits that hopefully will be practiced on a regular basis.

Designated tenant units will collect accumulated trash from post and quarters areas on Sunday November 19. To provide for ease of collection, post officials request that trash be placed near the street or by existing dumpsters.

## Education Center offers MA degree

**MASTER OF ARTS DEGREE:** Earn an MA in Human Resources Management from Pepperdine University by attending week-end courses on Treasure Island. For personnel interested in hearing more about the program, a briefing will be held on November 14 at 4:30 p.m. in the Army Education Center, Bldg. 1216.

## Safety

# A report on rights

To most people, safety simply means doing those things necessary to protect your physical and mental being from injury.

But, what happens when, despite all of these procedures, the individual does suffer a debilitating injury? Every person employed at the Presidio has certain rights, and supervisors have certain responsibilities, relating to safety and accidents.

The following question and answer session provides some valuable information for employees who are injured on the job. More specific information is available from the post Safety Office, 561-4424.

**Q. What are a supervisor's responsibilities in the area of safety?**

**A. Supervisors are responsible for ensuring maximum safety within their work areas and for their employees, and for reporting accidents.**

**Q. What types of accidents must be reported to the Safety Office?**

**A. All injuries, occupational illnesses (as defined in the chapter on Injury Compensation), or damage producing mishaps are reported through channels to the activity Safety Manager.**

**Q. What forms are required for accidents resulting in property damage?**

**A. Property damage mishaps and Army motor vehicle mishaps are reported on the DA Form 285. Property damage and Army motor vehicle mishaps which produce \$250 or more in total damage costs are "recordable" and require an original and four copies of the DA Form 285 to be forwarded to the Safety Manager.**

**Q. What are employee rights concerning safety?**

**A. There are numerous employee rights including representation by an established safety and health committee, access to safety performance records, and representation in safety inspections. The Safety Officer may be contacted for more specific information.**

**Q. Who is entitled to injury compensation?**

**A. Any employee who is disabled due to personal injuries sustained while in the performance of duty is entitled to compensation and medical care under the Federal Employees' Compensation Act (FECA), administered by the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs, United States Department of Labor.**

**Q. What types of benefits are included under this program?**

**A. Benefits may include the following:**

1. Medical care.
2. Continuation of pay in the case of traumatic injury.
3. Compensation for loss of wages.
4. Death benefits.

## OWC auction

Officers' Wives' Club members, prospective members and their guests are invited to the Officers' Wives' Club 1978 Auction to benefit the Presidio community.

Monies raised will be used to finance scholarships, youth activities, scouting, ACS, Red Cross, Preschool etc. There will be a buffet dinner preceding the Auction at the Officers' Club for \$4.75. The auction and buffet will be held in the grand ballroom. Please make your reservations for dinner or the auction by calling 561-3745, 982-2472, or 883-3784.

Baked goods will be accepted on the day of the Auction at the Officers Club between 9-1:00 o'clock. All other items are to be taken to Mrs. Osteen before 16 November. For information regarding the auction or donations, please call Cece Kinnan, 561-7662, or Jan Cason, 561-3469.

## Rec Center news

**Dickens Christmas Fair** — We now have discount coupons available to this fun fair. The fair opens Nov. 18th at the Cow Palace and runs weekends through Dec. 23rd.

**Oakland International Festival** — Discount tickets are now available for this great festival at the Oakland Municipal Auditorium. Tickets are for Friday Nov. 10th 5:00 - 11:00 p.m., Saturday and Sunday Nov. 11th & 12th 11:00 a.m. - 11:00 p.m.

**Ice Capades** — The Ice Capades will be held at Oakland-Alameda County Coliseum. Discount tickets are for Wednesday and Thursday Nov. 22nd and Nov. 23rd at 8:00 p.m., Friday Nov. 24th at 2:00 p.m. and Saturday Nov. 25th at 4:00 p.m.

**San Francisco 49ers Tickets** — There are still some tickets left to a few choice 49ers games. Next game Nov. 12th 49ers vs. St. Louis. Coming up Nov. 19th 49ers vs. L.A. Rams and then Monday night Nov. 27th the 49ers vs. Pittsburgh Steelers.

Check with us for other discounts. For further information, call ext. 2000/5480 daily AFTER 2:00 p.m.

**Q. How are medical expenses paid?**

**A. Doctors and hospitals may send their bills directly to the Office of Workers' Compensation Program. Each bill, fully itemized, may be submitted in the item provided on Part B of Form CA-16, or Form CA-20, or on letterhead of the doctor or hospital. The injured employee may claim reimbursement for bills paid by sending itemized receipted bills.**

**Q. How do employees and supervisors report injuries?**

**A. This will depend on whether the injury is traumatic or occupational.**

**Q. What is the difference between traumatic and occupational injuries?**

**A. A traumatic injury is defined as a wound or other condition of the body caused by external force, including stress or strain. The injury must be identifiable by time and place of occurrence and part or function of the body affected; and be caused by a specific event or series of events within a single day or work shift. Traumatic injuries also include damage to prosthetic devices or appliances, exclusive of eyeglasses and hearing aids unless they were damaged incidental to the injury requiring medical services. Occupational diseases or illnesses are produced by systemic infections; continued or repeated stress or strain; exposure to toxins, poisons, fumes, etc., or other continued and repeated exposure to conditions of the work environment over a longer period of time.**

**Q. What reports must be filed when an employee sustains a traumatic, disabling injury?**

**A. 1. When this happens, the employee, or someone acting on the employee's behalf, must file a Form CA-1, "Federal Employee's Notice of Traumatic Injury and Claim for Continuation of Pay/Compensation." This should be done within two working days. The form should show whether the employee wishes to receive sick or annual leave or requests continuation of regular pay for the period of disability.**

**2. Within two working days following receipt of the form from the employee, the supervisor should complete the bottom of the instruction sheet attached and give it to the employee. Statements should also be obtained from any witnesses. The CA-1 should then be forwarded to the Recruitment and Placement Branch, Civilian Personnel Office. The report will be submitted to the Office of Workers' Compensation Programs if the injury causes disability for the employee's usual work beyond the shift it occurred or it appears that the injury will result in a charge for medical or other related expenses.**

**3. See discussion under Medical Care above and Appendix D regarding reports on Form CA-16 and Form DA-1051.**



## Realignment study

# 'No change' announced

by Lynn Ligon

General Robert M. Shoemaker, Commander of the U.S. Army Forces Command, said today that the Army's study into the possible realignment of the Presidio of San Francisco, Calif., is proceeding on schedule, and that announcement of a preferred alternative may be expected as early as Spring 1979.

Army plans to conduct a detailed realignment study of the Presidio were announced in April 1978. The study of the installation is part of a review of operations at 29 Army installations. The review is an effort to attain a more efficient and effective Army operating structure by reducing nonessential overhead, improving the use of personnel and equipment resources, and making the most effective use of installations.

The study of the Presidio will evaluate thoroughly the various public interest aspects of possible realignment. These include operational, budgetary, socio-economic, community impact and environmental considerations.

General Shoemaker emphasized that no decision to substantially reduce activities at the Presidio has been made. Two basic alternatives remain under study.

The first basic alternative proposes the transfer of Fort Baker, Calif., currently a sub-installation under the purview of the Presidio, to the National Park Service. Activities of Headquarters, Sixth U.S. Army, the U.S. Army Readiness Region IX, and other smaller Army agencies would transfer to Treasure Island Naval Station, Calif. Under this proposal, the Presidio would be designated a sub-installation of Fort Ord - outside Monterey.

The second basic alternative being studied is to retain the Presidio's status quo.

General Shoemaker noted that as the study progresses other alternatives or modifications of existing ones may be developed and considered.

He also pointed out that a "preferred alternative" will be identified and announced before a decision to realign the Presidio of San Francisco is made. He said that the realignment study supporting the preferred alternative would be made available for public review and comment before a decision to realign the Presidio is made. Comments will be considered in the decision-making process. General Shoemaker added that public comments and input from interested members of Congress, federal agencies, and state and local government officials are already being integrated into the study.



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## President sends greetings



President Jimmy Carter sends the following Thanksgiving message to Servicemembers around the world:

"On this Thanksgiving Day we can be truly grateful for the blessings we enjoy. America is at peace and new international cooperation promises a more harmonious world. Our Armed Forces are well trained, vigilant and dedicated to maintaining that peace.

"Our country would not be secure this Thanksgiving without the selfless service and devotion to high ideals of the men and women who wear its uniforms. Rosalynn and I send our special wishes to them and to their families for a wonderful Thanksgiving holiday of good fellowship and personal fulfillment."



## SQT test performed at Presidio

by Ted Elisee

The Soldier's Qualification Test (SQT) for MOS 11 B and 11 C became a reality for 15 soldiers on the Presidio last week.

Lt. Kyra Gordeney, Opns and Training, HQS Command was selected to act as Site Manager for the test. Said Lt. Gordeney, "The men were just incredible. They really knew what they were doing, and performed in an efficient manner. The whole demonstration was a learning experience for me. I can't tell you how motivated these men were. They just took the whole operation in hand and went through the test in a flash. Believe me, they are experts in their field."

The test for the soldiers was held on 25th Ave. field.

The test for the soldiers was held on 25th Ave. field. Those men who participated in the test were: from USAG, Sp4 Kenneth Robertson, SSgt. Claude Kelley, SSgt. Paul Pagan, SFC William Hetzer; from Sixth Army, SFC Clarence Wise, SSgt. Louis Baldock; from Readiness Rgn. IX, SFC Pedro Zamora, SFC Ronald Paulick, and from Berkeley ROTC, SFC Edward Kinsley.



Actual demonstration of ability was required at SQT held at 25 Ave. field. (photos by Tina Juber)



Site Manager Lt. K. Gordeney sends instructions to testees.



## Editorial

# Happy holidays

by Ted Elisee

Thanksgiving is just around the corner and suddenly, before you know it, Christmas time will be here.

Ah yes, Christmastime! What a wonderful time of year. Bosses who never smile suddenly have all kinds of pleasant things to say. Your next door neighbor who always throws your kids out of his yard appears at your door and invites you over for a drink. Your roommate offers you some food from his care package, whereas before he wouldn't even offer you a potato chip from his 25 cent bag from the vending machine. People walk along the street and hum Christmas carols and really don't care if you hear them. Some people even join in and have a long conversation. (Before they were afraid to talk to strangers on the street.) Mom gets a gift and even a letter (something you've been meaning to do all year but just never find the time cause Mom wouldn't be interested in just hearing about what you do).

And then comes New Year's. All the world around you goes crazy. People are dancing and singing and laughing and passing a flask to keep you warm. Many good wishes are made for success and happiness and a lot of promises are made to improve life in general. All looks bright. Maybe people aren't so bad after all you think. Look how great they are you say.

And then New Year's is over. The Monday morning blahs return and the hangovers linger. Some promises of a better life are already forgotten and some just seem too difficult to keep.

Somehow the Christmas spirit dies and people go back to the same old grind. Ah yes, Christmas time. What a wonderful time of year. Perhaps if we move Christmas to June 25th we could have the spirit last at least six months out of the year.

# Troop Talk

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk. Glad you had the opportunity to find some leisure time to read our paper.

Gathering info for this week's column was hectic. Everyone is sure busy on projects throughout the post.

USAG is jumping with their annual AGI. SSgt. Claude Kelly, my stringer from Garrison had two phones picked up and working while I gathered my info from him. He reported the welcome arrival of Sp4 Darryl Diaz who came from Germany. A new system for mail has been established for personnel living in the barracks. No more mail call at the mail room for them. The new system will be a combination mail box system.

864th was hard at work with the fall clean up campaign when I called. The unit is policing the area and trimming trees. A farewell and good luck wish is passed on to PFC John Christnot who is ETSing.

The mission of 16th AG Postal continues to be an important one. First it was Reforger and now the unit is involved with the Military Mail Terminal. The unit is working with the Christmas mail rush by processing parcels which are being sent to the Far East.

The 163rd MP Co. reported that the PMO is preparing for their AGI on November 27. In the meantime they wished SSgt. Ronald (MacDonald Charlie) Brown and PFC David Cable well as they depart for Germany.

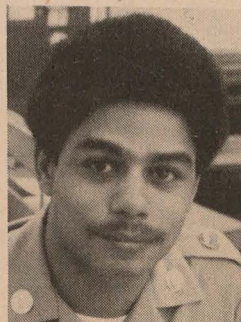
The 170th MP Co. reported that the first platoon was in the field on a training exercise at Hunter-Liggett. They were glad to see PVT William Parton arrive from Ft. McClellan and bid farewell to Sp4 Richard Eovaldi who ETSed to Michigan.

Well, that wraps it up for another week. Take care and have very Happy and safe Thanksgiving.

## Ramblin' Sam



Do you feel that the answers given in Ramblin' Sam can be held against a person?



Sp5 Patrick Simon, Personnel Actions, PAC — "No, because there are no legal implications involved in giving a statement to a newsman. To give a statement to a legal authority is when it can be used against them."



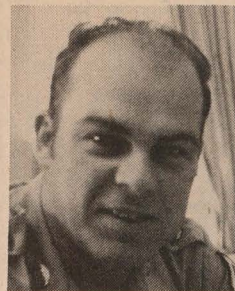
PVT 2 Debbie Wells, Movements Specialist, Transportation Division — "Yes, because anything a person says can be held against them in a court of law, especially if there are witnesses. Now I'm not saying people read Ramblin' Sam just to look for someone to prosecute, but I believe this could happen."

Sp4 Dale R. Lee, Administrative Specialist, USACC — "Yes, for example, if a person makes a negative remark, I feel certain people would hold a personal grudge against them. As far as a judicial punishment, no, I don't think it would be possible."

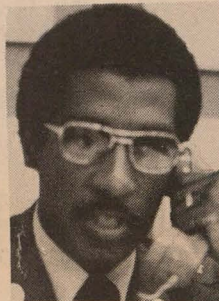


Col. John Gillespie, Chief Combat Service Support Officer, Readiness Region IX — "Yes, because of the nature of the questions and the answer. I think it is only human nature for someone to hold it against them and unless we can repeal the laws of human nature - well, let me put it to you this way - if you tell me you are a card carrying member of the Communist Party and also a paying member, then naturally I would hold it against you."

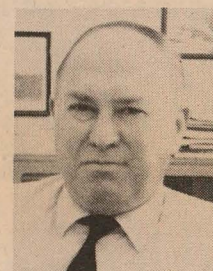
MSG William Headings, Station Chief, USACC Agency — "I am sure there are supervisors who could be biased by certain answers given in Ramblin' Sam. If you ask a person about his life in the answer is negative, well, I could foresee a CO or 1st Sgt. being disturbed about his answer. I have to say I have never seen an answer in Ramblin' Sam that should have been held against a person."



SFC Eugene Mitchell, Opns and Training NCO HQS Command — "Yes, because if someone makes a statement that can be perceived by unit commanders or section chiefs as a negative one, they might see it as an attack on the mission or the policies that they have set down. I know of no incident where this ever happened on the Presidio."



Col. Clyde Cummings, Field Artillery Readiness Coordinator, Readiness Region IX — "If the answer a person gives is based on fact rather than false information, then it should not be held against the individual. If the person is critical of a situation in his unit and that situation does exist then it shouldn't be held against him, but at the same time it is his responsibility to initiate action to have corrective action to be taken in the unit. It is the responsibility of the unit to them to take care of the welfare of the people in the unit."



## Army Secretary speaks out against complainers

Secretary of the Army Clifford L. Alexander, Jr., has lashed out at critics of the volunteer soldier, particularly critics in uniform.

Recently addressing the Association of the United States Army convention in Washington, Secretary Alexander pointed out that "conditions in America today are not propitious for conscripted military service. It is high time to accept the reality, stop longing for the 'good old days,' and keep our minds on our business."

It sometimes almost seems as though an "open Season" has been declared on our soldiers, for there has been a volley of disparaging remarks about them, he said.

"What really is particularly galling is to realize that some of the sniping is coming from our Army family .... I cannot understand such behavior on the part of anyone who shares in the responsibility for training and leading soldiers," he said.

The Army Secretary said that today's recruits volunteer out of a broader sense of obligation to citizenship, while their peers don't.

"I have talked to trainees who have said they joined the Army because they felt it was their duty to do so, and I could tell by looking in their eyes that they were not saying that because they thought it was what I wanted to hear," he said.

### Double Standard

Secretary Alexander said he was amazed that in this "land of opportunity" young men and women are criticized for joining up to improve their lot — education, skill training, a paying job.

"What kind of a crazy double standard is it that heaps praise on self-made businessmen and scorn on young people looking for self-betterment by joining the Army?" he said.

He made it clear, however, that the Army is no welfare agency or giveaway program, and the Army offers opportunity to create trained and disciplined soldiers.

"The skills we impart through our training are those which our organization requires. Many of those will carry over into the civilian sector, which is well and good," he said.

"The choice is ours," he emphasized. "If we choose to fret about 'problems' and look wistfully at alleged panaceas like the draft, we will surely see the well-being of the Army fade into a miasma of self-pity. If we choose to accept the challenge, see things as they are and not as we wish they might be, and work to the full limit of our resources — which are considerable — then I think we may find that conditions in the Army begin to resemble what we have wished they might be. But we will have gotten there by working, not by wishing."

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# AAP becomes stronger at PSF

by Bob Mahoney

The Equal Opportunity Program has made some dramatic progress over the years. So many times it has been said. "Oh sure, we have an Equal Opportunity Program. "No, I'm not exactly sure what it is all about, but I know we have one. We've got to have one. DA says so."

The Presidio of San Francisco is actively involved in the program. As a vital part of the constant evolution of that program, some 50 members of the commander's staff and other personnel (representatives from Western Region Recruiting Command, LAMC, and Organizational Effectiveness Staff) met at Treasure Island on November 8 to review the status of equal opportunity in the Army today. Also, an important aspect for agenda study was the revitalization of the Presidio Affirmative Actions Plan.

Led by Colonel John Hamilton, post commander, all present listened to presentations by Navy Capt. Michael J. Marriott, director of the Defense Race Relations Institute, Patrick AFB, Fla; Dr. James A. Thomas, Race Relations Research Work Unit Leader with the US Army Research Institute for the Behavioral and Social Sciences; LTC Ned Banks, representing Forces Command's Race Relations Program, and numerous other officials involved in the development of equal opportunity.

The day long session culminated with afternoon work groups in which the senior staffers attempted to pinpoint the equal opportunity program needs at the Presidio and devise an Affirmative Actions Program to meet those needs.

The results of the working session will be combined with the new program and will be published as soon as possible after all relevant data has been collected and collated.



Group problem solving was part of the day long AAP session held at T. I. last week. (photo by Bob Mahoney)

## Important Holiday Notes

Presidio of San Francisco will conduct the annual Area-wide Ecumenical Thanksgiving Day Service, Wednesday, Nov. 22, at the Post Chapel, Building 130.

Special music will be given by the ensemble of the Sixth US Army Band under the direction of WOI Tony W. Cason, and the Post Chapel Choir under the direction of Mr. Richard Grant.

Guest speaker is Dr. Joseph Asher, Rabbi of Temple Emmanuel, San Francisco, CA. Participating in the interfaith program will be Col. John D. Hamilton, Sr., Post Commander, Chaplain (Col.) Robert J. Plocki, Post Chaplain; Rabbi William Dalin, Chaplains (Col.) Paul H. Easley, (LTC) Walter K. Sauer, (Maj.) Harold L. Mills, (Maj.) Roger B. Schalm and (Capt.) Roland Humphrey. Ushers will be SFC Adams (Ret) and MG Plank (Ret).

The public is invited to attend.

### THANKSGIVING DAY MENU AND MEAL RATES: The following is the menu for Thanksgiving Day and applicable meal rates:

| MENU                 |                       |            |             |
|----------------------|-----------------------|------------|-------------|
| Shrimp Cocktail      |                       | Baked Ham  |             |
| Roast Turkey         | Corn Bread Dressing   |            |             |
| Bread Dressing       | Cranberry Sauce       |            |             |
|                      | Giblet Gravy          |            |             |
| Mashed Potatoes      | Glazed Sweet Potatoes |            |             |
| Buttered Lima Beans  | Buttered Broccoli     |            |             |
| Golden Glow Salad    | Lettuce Salad         |            |             |
| Salad Dressing       | Celery Seed Dressing  |            |             |
| Butterflake Rolls    |                       | Butter     |             |
| Mincemeat Pie        | Pumpkin Pie           | Fruit Cake |             |
| Whipped Cream        |                       |            |             |
| Assorted Fresh Fruit | Assorted Candy        | Mixed Nuts |             |
| Tea                  | Coffee                | Milk       | Soft Drinks |

| Authorized Personnel                   | Food Cost | Surcharge | Total  |
|----------------------------------------|-----------|-----------|--------|
| Officer Personnel                      | \$1.90    | \$1.00    | \$2.90 |
| Enlisted Personnel on Separate Rations | 1.90      |           | 1.90   |
| All Dependents 12 yrs. of age or over  | 1.90      | 1.00      | 2.90   |
| All Dependents under 12 yrs. of age    | .95       | .60       | 1.55   |

Personnel Receiving Per Diem: Surcharge will be \$2.80.

The Package Store Annex has reopened for the Christmas Holiday Season and will remain open through December 30. This annex, located in Building 653, adjacent to the Post Exchange Four Seasons will maintain the same operating hours as the Post Exchange. The Main Store, in the Fort Scott area, remains open with a more complete line of merchandise.

## Sports Shorts

Sixteen of the finest basketball players in the United States Armed Forces are currently in training at the Presidio for twelve coveted berths to form the 1978 SHAPE Basketball Team. The team will compete in the 18th Annual SHAPE Tournament, to be conducted at Brussels, Belgium.

Practice games against some of the top amateur teams in the Bay Area are scheduled to be played at the Post Gym. A game is scheduled for 7 p.m. on Friday, November 17 and 10 a.m. on Saturday, November 18. Saturday's game will be played against the EAST BAY CRUSADERS, recent winners of a tournament held at Moffett Field. Other games scheduled include Santa Rosa Junior College at Santa Rosa, November 20 and Putnam's Insurance at Sacramento, November 22. Everyone is invited to attend the practice games. Outstanding players on the Armed Forces team who are former All Americans and professional players, include Presidio's Pierre Russell, 6'4", University of Kansas and Kentucky Colonel's, Al Forney, 6'5", Compton JC, Harold Fox, 6'2", Jacksonville University, Larry Warren, 6'4", Florida State, James King, 6'6", Southern Mississippi, and George Hester, 6'3", Presbyterian College.

A Women's Basketball game is scheduled for 5:30 p.m., Friday, November 17, at the Post Gym. LAIR vs Presidio Dependents. Come out and watch the ladies play basketball.

In the opening game of the 1978-79 Intramural Basketball season, LAMC #1, led by their big guns, Larry Herring and Dwayne Gibson, with 16 points each, defeated USAG 78-66. Powell led the Garrison attack with 22 points. LAMC #2, with Willie Randolph, leading the way, with 16 points overcame a 9 point LAIR half time lead and defeated them 46-40. Mike Rusnick scored 19 points in a losing cause.

864th Engineers defeated the FBI by the score of 62-56. Jacob Wilson led the Engineers with 22 points while Mike Keenan paced the FBI with 24 points.

6th Army defeated LAMC #3, 57-50. Bobby Brooks led the attack with 20 points. Jim Oxley scored 22 points for the losers.

16th AG paced by Craig Thompson's 12 points, got by Public Health Services 47-32. Kjeld Molvig scored 13 points for PHS. DENTAC got by INSCOM 33-27. Richard Harding led DENTAC with 13 points while Ron Black scored 10 points for INSCOM.

## Crime Scene

Christmas shopping is picking up steam, therefore the Presidio Post Exchange System is increasing its inventory to meet the demand of authorized PX Christmas shoppers.

Shoplifting is a constant problem for any retail outlet, but shoplifting at the Post Exchange is not only the concern of the Post Exchange, but also every authorized customer of the exchange system. When an item is stolen from PX, the cost of the stolen item is past on to you the customer. Should you observe a shoplifting in progress, don't hesitate to inform a PX employee and he or she will take appropriate action.

Members of the community are also advised that shoplifters, when caught, not only have to face the humiliation of exposure, but their PX privileges are suspended, and they then appear either at the San Francisco Magistrates Court or in front of their Company Commander, to explain their actions. Shoplifters are usually given a stiff fine.

Parents are respectfully reminded to caution their children on the ramifications of shoplifting. Commanders are also requested to explain the ramifications of shoplifting to their subordinates.



# OPSEC means security

by Bob Mahoney

Perhaps one of the most neglected or "taken for granted" programs in existence at the Presidio is one called OPSEC. To many, OPSEC is simply one more acronym that really has no meaning.

On the contrary, however, OPSEC is a program with which each and every person assigned to the installation is and should be involved.

OPSEC means Operation Security. It is the program in which military and civilian personnel participate by safeguarding information and equipment that might prove valuable to a potential foe of the United States. All aspects of your job are of interest to those without a "need to know" and could be used against the U.S.

While this "loose lips sink ships" program may seem a subject that became obsolete years ago, the program is vital, vibrant and simple to understand and follows.

For instance, how often have you been involved

in a conversation at a party with a person you hardly know. And then all of a sudden, you're volunteering information about what you do for a living. What you're saying may seem harmless to you but it may prove valuable to an individual who has access to other information. What you say may be the missing link he needs to make all of his information extremely valuable, even though your information is not classified. OPSEC means being careful about what you're saying, as well as where and when you're saying it.

OPSEC includes security of verbal information, equipment, operations and communications. For more information on OPSEC, see any of the following: Post OPSEC Officer-LTC Lam; Assistant OPSEC Officer and contact for DPTSEC - Maj. Green; DPCA - Mrs. Sam; DIO - Mr. Prugh; DFAE - Lt. VanDerLike; DRCS - SFC Abrahamson; Hqs Cmd - Lt. Gordenev; 504th MP Bn - Lt. Masterson; Chaplain - Maj. Schalm; Comptroller - Mr. Hedelund; EEOO - Mr. Joy; IG - LTC Moore; MISO - Mr. Kupbens; PAO - MSgt. Leach; PMO - Lt. Bentle; and SFA - CW3 Lovell.

# Mission Essential

by Ted Elisee

**Editors Note — Mission Essential is a new column that will appear on a weekly basis. The column replaces the old PSF Spotlight.**

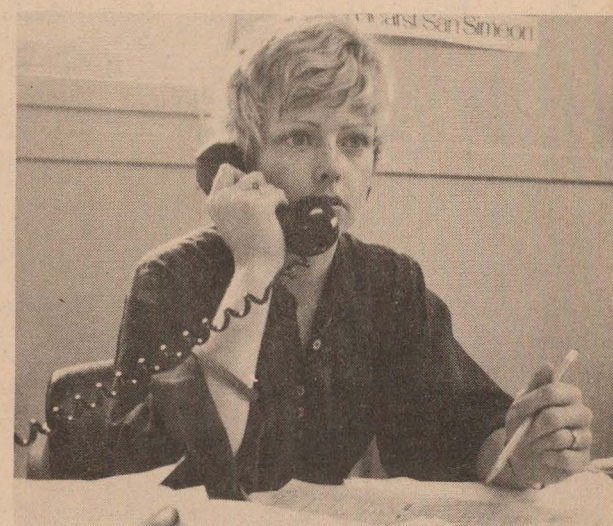


**Mrs. Eleanor Castorena**

Mrs. Eleanor Castorena is a Personnel Clerk in the Recruiting and Replacement Branch in CPO.

Ever wonder who handled your 201 file? Well, Eleanor could be one of those people. Eleanor's job appears to be a complicated one, but she was smiling away when I walked in on her. Her job is to process in new employees, process out old employees and to help retirees.

Eleanor is from Vallejo, has been working on the Presidio for two years. She has five children. When asked what she would like to say to the civilian work force on the Presidio, she commented, "Please, if you have a question you would like answered, ask your supervisor first. Many times they can help you with the information you need. If not, that's what I'm here for. Just be patient and give me a few minutes to gather the info. We maintain three thousand nine hundred and fifty files. Believe me, I'll be glad to help you."



**Mrs. Mary Stump**

Mrs. Mary Stump works on surveys and statistics in the Recruiting and Replacement Branch, in CPO.

Mary was surprised by my visit to her office, but was glad to talk about her career with civil service.

Mrs. Stump is the wife of CW2 Alan Stump a Fixed and Rotary Wing Pilot who is presently stationed in Yongsan, Korea. She has formerly worked for civil service in the personnel field at Ft. Rucker, Ala., and Ft. Bragg, N.C. Mary finds the personnel field interesting and challenging. Said Mary, "The job I'm in now is taxing, sometimes I even get depressed, but more often than not I find my work rewarding."

"The Presidio is such a beautiful place," she added. "I love the low key military pace. It is a definite change from Ft. Bragg."

## EOD responds to call for help

by Bob Mahoney

A concerted effort between members of the 87th Ordnance Detachment (EOD), the 548th Ordnance Detachment (EODC), the City of San Francisco, the US Coast Guard and the US Navy, resulted in the successful removal of a World War II vintage torpedo from a local fisherman's net.

The November 9 incident began when Lynn Martin, captain of the San Francisco based Diane L., netted the torpedo head some five hours out of port. Convinced that the object contained volatile material, the Captain decided to leave it alone and let the experts take care of it from there.

Returning to San Francisco, the local harbor-master directed the vessel to Pier 984, also known as the salute pier at the Presidio. This put the entire operation under federal jurisdiction.

The Army ordnance detachments, which are re-

sponsible for all ordnance calls outside the military installation, were notified early in the afternoon. It then became the Army's responsibility to coordinate the effort with all concerned authorities, to include the Navy which actually handles any sea-worthy ordnance.

Upon arrival at the salute pier, the EOD personnel and the San Francisco Police removed the torpedo and awaited the arrival of the Coast Guard which joined with Navy EOD personnel to transport the item to Alameda Naval Air Station for the actual disposal of the several hundred pounds of explosive material.

The 87th Ordnance Detachment is one of eight field operating units under the command and operational control of the 548th. These units are FORSCOM units which provide EOD support to the states of California, Arizona, Idaho, Montana, Nevada, Oregon, Utah, Washington, Alaska and Hawaii, all at the request of a civilian authorities.

## Army Chief of Staff to speak in San Francisco hotel

General Bernard W. Rogers, Chief of Staff of the US Army, will address a joint luncheon meeting of the National Defense Section of the Commonwealth Club of San Francisco and the San Francisco Chapter of the Association of the United States Army at the Fairmont Hotel Gold Ballroom on Monday, November 27, at noon. The luncheon will be preceded by a no-host cocktail reception starting at 11:30 a.m. in the Venetian room.

**SUBJECT: "Our Peacetime Army - Can It Defend Us?"**

The fighting capability and the quality of soldiers and their equipment are subjects of recurring concern to taxpayers, columnists, legislators and analysts. General Rogers, a distinguished combat soldier, Rhodes scholar, and uniformed chief of today's Army in the volunteer environment, is candid in his assessment of the 765,000 men and women he leads. Hard drug abuse, adverse effect

of women on combat readiness, poorly educated soldiers, obsolete equipment in Europe; all have been addressed in the news media. General Rogers will examine these and other perceptions and discuss what steps peacetime Army is taking to support current defense policies. A large attendance is anticipated. Early reservations are recommended.

Tickets for the luncheon may be purchased at the Public Affairs Office, Headquarters, Sixth US Army for \$10.50 per person. It is anticipated that bus transportation will be provided to take Presidio military and civilian employees from Building 38, Mesa Street entrance to the Fairmont Hotel at 11:00 a.m. and pick them up at the hotel at approximately 2:00 p.m. for return to the Presidio.

General Rogers visit to San Francisco is a major event for all Army personnel here in the Bay Area and maximum attendance is encouraged. It is suggested that those persons desiring to attend make their reservations early.

For further information and reservations, call Maury Peerenboom, Sixth Army Public Affairs Office, 561-3551 or 3740.

**The Star Presidian will not be published next week. The Public Affairs Staff and the Photo Facility Staff wishes a Happy Thanksgiving to all of our readers. The Star Presidian will be published again on December 1.**





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## In Memoriam

The Presidio Community paused this week to reflect on the passing of two leaders in the San Francisco community — Mayor George Moscone and Supervisor Harvey Milk.

The Chaplain Corps immediately offered prayers for the dead men and their families and also for former Supervisor Dan White and his family. The prayers were offered asking God to pro-

vide strength to all those who were affected in some way by the events that occurred on Monday morning.

The Catholic Chaplains on the Presidio offered their prayers at daily Mass this week. The Protestant Chaplains attended the Memorial Service at City Hall, and Jews had a memorial service at Temple Emmanuel.

Flags were ordered to fly half staff during the mourning period.

## “...Air raid Pearl Harbor — This is no drill!”

by Maury Peerenboom

Those were the first words received in Washington on that “day of infamy” in 1941. It was the beginning of the most dramatic event of the 20th Century. America went to war that peaceful Sunday, December 7th — and as we note the passage of this date in 1978, many of us who remember it stop to ask each other: “Where were YOU on the day Pearl Harbor was attacked . . . what were you doing?”

How about it . . . can YOU remember? Or - more importantly - DO YOU remember?

The last few weeks of peace for America were filled with anxiety. Both Japan and the United States could not agree on the terms that could guarantee peace in the Pacific. Outraged at Japan's incursion into Indo-China and further angered by the fury of Japan's invasion of China, America had embargoed both oil and iron shipments to Japan. As a condition to reinstatement of these vital raw materials to their economy, the United States insisted on a withdrawal of Japanese forces from both places. Japan refused to concede — yet, faced with a most certain “energy crisis” of their own, Japan now decided to strike out for the oil-rich areas of present day Indonesia (then known as the Dutch East Indies).

One obstacle stood in their way: the United States Pacific Fleet headquartered at Pearl Harbor. Japan knew that the United States would not tolerate any further aggression into Southeast Asia on their part and, if the Japanese ambitions into Borneo and Sumatra were to be successful, the Pacific Fleet would have to be removed as a potential retaliatory force. Japan would have to have naval superiority in the Pacific if it were to further its territorial ambitions and to establish what it referred to as “The Greater East Asia Co-Prosperity Sphere.”

Ironically, one Japanese leader opposed this scheme. More ironically, he was the master architect of the attack on Pearl Harbor. He was Admiral Isokuru Yamamoto. Yamamoto warned the Japanese War Cabinet that for the first six months of the war, he could move freely throughout the Pacific. After that, he could not guarantee any degree of success for he knew from previous assignments in America (as the Japanese Naval Attache) that the production capacity of the United States would eventually equal and then overtake that of Japan's. He argued so strongly against such an attack that the Army Generals

seemed anxious to get rid of him — by assassination, if necessary. Ultimately, Yamamoto was given the order to prepare an attack plan for Pearl Harbor with the mission of destroying the fleet while it lay at anchor on a weekend and more specifically, to destroy the 3 known Aircraft Carriers among that group of naval vessels.

The rest is history. The Pearl Harbor attack was a complete surprise to the entire nation. We were caught completely unprepared that peaceful Sunday morning.

Many Americans gave their lives at Pearl Harbor; the severest loss being over 1000 men on the battleship ARIZONA, still lying on the bottom of Pearl Harbor and still oozing fuel oil from its tanks to this day. An elaborate memorial marks the spot where it went down.

Nearly four years were required before America emerged triumphant in 1945. Many more American lives were sacrificed in places unheard of then — Guam, Wake, Bataan, Corregidor, Guadalcanal, Tulagi, Bougainville, Finschafen, Tarawa, Iwo Jim, Saipan, Okinawa . . . to name a few.

It is now 37 years since that “day of infamy” as President Roosevelt proclaimed December 7th, 1941. Let us not forget those who gave their lives for our nation.



The story of the Japanese attack upon Pearl Harbor on Dec. 7, 1941, is one of the most written about happenings in American history. But the man whose leadership would eventually win the war in the Pacific was not at Pearl Harbor. Douglas MacArthur was in the Philippines.





## Editorial by Ted Elisee

# The City is not sick!

The recent happenings in San Francisco have prompted many journalists and people from around the country to comment on the sanity of the Bay Area.

There have been labels attached to the people who lieve and congregate here. All of a sudden the popula-tion has been referred to as: creeps, nuts, cults, quacks, sickies, and the like.

Interesting, to say the least! People have paid thousands of dollars to vacation here. People wish they could somehow afford to make the move out here and start all over, or even make a start. It seems to me that this would indicate that SF is a utopia, not a hell-hole.

Some centuries ago this nation became populated with people who chose to be different. They left other nations because of their different feelings about lifes-tytle and thinking. They were the so-called quacks then. And look how great our nation has expanded and advanced!

There are sick people in San Francisco but this city is safer than the cement jungles in the east. Just sit back and reflect for awhile. Doesn't it make sense why this city exists? We are in a new age city. A city that accepts all without question. A new haven (perhaps heaven for some) that provides land where a person can feel he belongs without feeling strange. San Fran-cisco is the beginning of a new nation of sorts.

A new nation. A new world. Just like our history of a few centuries ago. San Francisco is a new, New World.

## Travel during holidays

Washington (ARNews) — Soldiers traveling during the Christmas and New Year Holidays can save money and avoid problems by following some travel tips offered by the Military Traffic Management Command (MTMC).

### MTMC Advises Soldiers:

Military discounts for rail travel can save about 25 percent off normal coach rates and the discounts apply at all times. These rates, however, do not apply on Metroliners.

Reduced fares are also available on buses, but are limited to selected points in the Eastern states and between Eastern and Midwestern states. They apply at all times.

Air discounts range from 25 to 35 percent less than normal coach fares. Reservations must usually be made in advance except on Eastern Airlines' shuttle flights. American Airlines does not offer the discounts on all flights and the number of discount seats are limited on some flights.

In addition to military discount rates, other special discounts are available to air travelers, which may or may not cost less than military rates. Restrictions on time and days of travel may apply to other special rates.

Military discount fares are limited to active duty soldiers traveling at their own expense. Soldiers using these discounts should be prepared to show a military I.D. and proper leave or pass forms.

The United Service Organization (USO) operates many military lounges at air and rail terminals that feature television, reading material, games and re-freshments.

Eastern and Delta Airlines have lounges at the Atlanta airport. Delta also has lounges at airports in Cleveland, Philadelphia, Dallas and Chicago.

Soldiers can usually get assistance at military in-formation desks, located at major airports, if they have problems with schedules, money, local transportation or expired leaves.

MTMC also advises soldiers to avoid travel between peak periods from Dec. 20-25 and Dec. 30-Jan. 2. Sol-diers traveling during these times risk the year's greatest unavailability of military discount fares and face the largest crowds.

## Ramblin' Sam

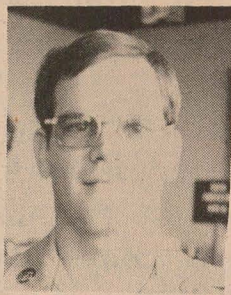


What have you done to make your job run more smoothly?

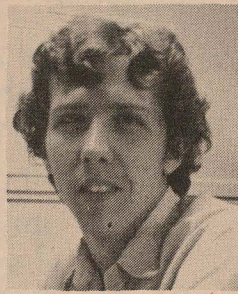
1st Lt. Laurianne Dubia, Ch, Management Services Division, COMPACT — "I question the op-eration that I work in. If I feel there is a better way to do it, then I try to change it. A person should always seek improvement in a job situation. I also treat people as individuals rather than a number."



PFC Dan Dimmick, Surgical Ward, LAMC — "I've worked with the Ward Master during my orientation. Through his help and through the help of staff guidance, my job runs smoothly."



Mr. Eugene Rainwater, Person-nel Clerk, CPO — "I put a divider in my CIV PERSINS Manual. I can flip to wherever I want in this regulation at any time. This has increased my efficiency."



Mrs. Arline Borup, Entitlement Clerk, ID Card Section, COM-PACT — "The job I have never runs roughly. I've been here 12 years and 9 months. I've never had any problems with the job that were major. DA and regula-tions take care of the little prob-lems."



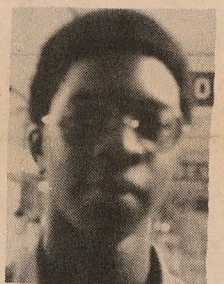
Marcialeen Shakir, Salesperson, Sweet and Treat Shop — "I just try to get along with the public. I feel getting along with people helps my business and my job."



Sgt. Edward Smith, PM Dis-patcher, TMP — "I cooperate with my supervisors as much as possible. The cooperation in my division has made my job easy and as a result it runs smoothly."



Sp4 Del Woods, Aircraft Re-fueler, Flight Detachment, HAFB — "Just cooperation. Cooperation makes my job and any job run smoothly."



## Chapel news

The vocal workshop of Oakland, California, will participate in the Protestant Worship Services at the Post Chapel, this Sunday, December 3, at 9 and 11 a.m.

This group of singers is dedicated to the preserva-tion of spirituals. They have chosen to revue them through drama, poetry and song. The spirituals voice are mankind's quest for eternal freedom.

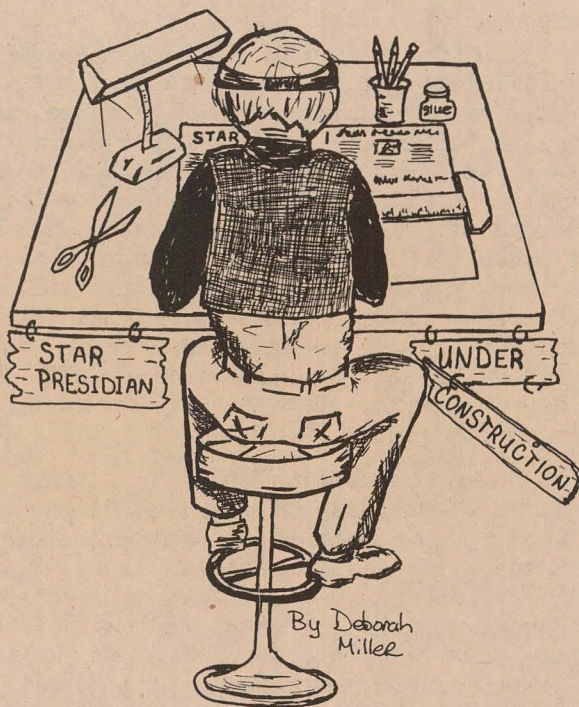
Several employees of the Presidio community are members of the group. The public is invited to attend. Worshippers are requested to come earlier than usual as a large turn out is expected. The message in song is entitled "Lawd, I want to be a Christian." Selections will include the following:

"Plenty Good Room; Ain't Got Time to Die; Cer-tainly Lord, Certainly; Lord I Want to be A Christian; Ride de Cheriot; and Let us Break Bread Together."

This Sunday is also the first Sunday in the Advent season.

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The Star Presidian is making changes. Hope you have noticed the new body type and headline type. If you have some sugges-tions or comments we'd be glad to hear them —Editor.



# Rojas wins endurance title

by Bob Gascon

Over fifty participants ran in the annual Post Cross-Country Championship, with **Sam Rojas**, LAMC, powering to an easy victory. The course was a hilly 5,000 meters run over the Presidio's jutting hills, dark forests and rocky trails.

Rojas left his closest pursuers, **Ragnar Thanning**, LAIR and **Brad Meegan**, dependent, behind on the long West Pacific Avenue hill, towards Drywells Gate. Meegan should have finished second, but ran into a cut tree limb while still close to Rojas and lost approximately 1½ minutes. Times for Thanning and Meegan were 19:08 and 20:13, respectively.

There was a close finish among the top three places in the Women's division. **Becky LaBissoniere**, LAIR, 28:05 edged out **Kathy Chadbourne**, USAG, 28:25 and **Kyra Gordenev**, USAG, 28:52.

**Brad Thanning** won easily over **Richard Reeve**, LAMC, 21:38 and **Ed Boland**, LAMC, 22:18 in the Submasters section and **Gordon Waite**, 6th Army, strode to a 25 second win over steady **Ron Ealy**, LAMC, 24:09 and **Frank Meegan**, USAG, 26:03 in the Masters section (39+).



Photo by: Noli Manas

**Sam Rojas, LAMC**, powering to an easy victory in the Annual Post Cross-Country Championship.

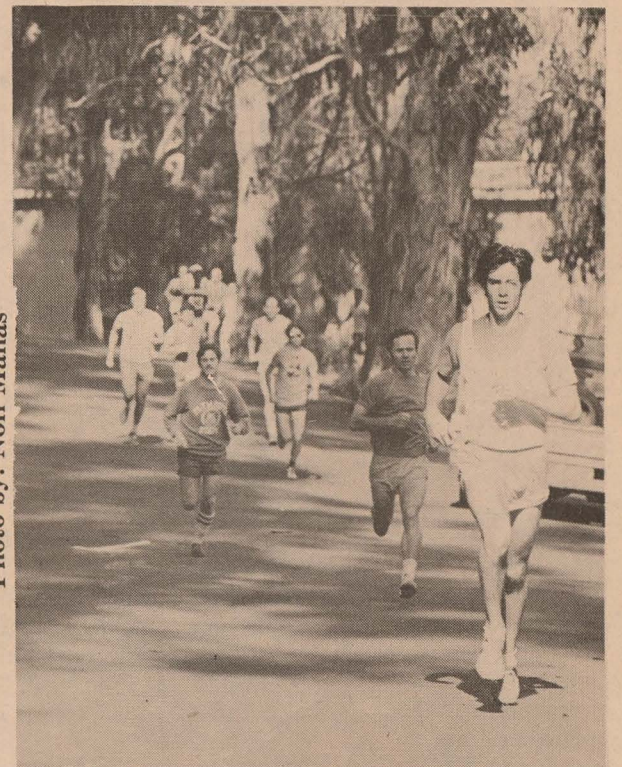


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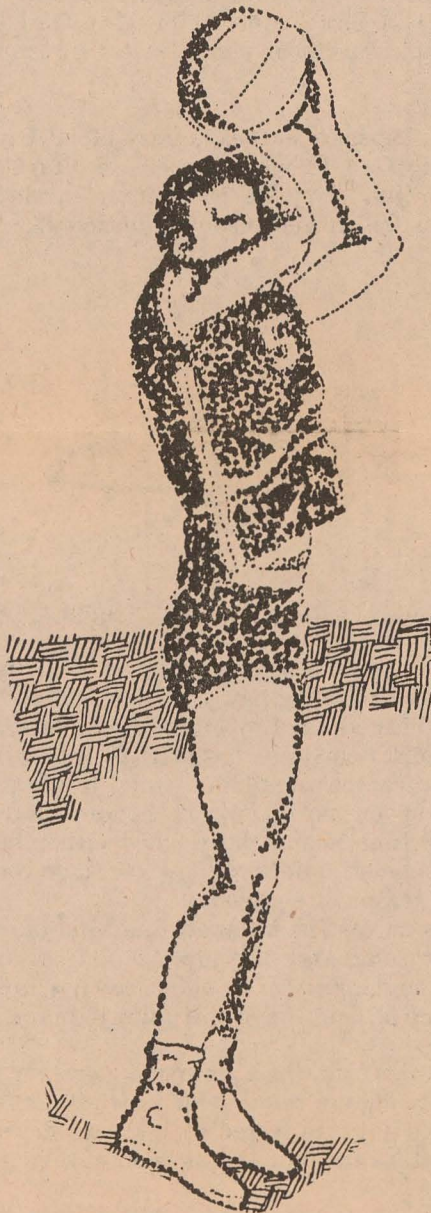
Participants in the Annual 5,000 meters Post Cross-Country Championship starting their run over the Presidio's jutting hills, dark forests and rocky trails. A true test of Cross-Country running.

## Champs



Photo by Noli Manas

**Colonel Desmond D. Dewey, DPCA** presented Coach Bell of LAMC #1 with the Post Championship Flag Football Trophy.



## 298!!!

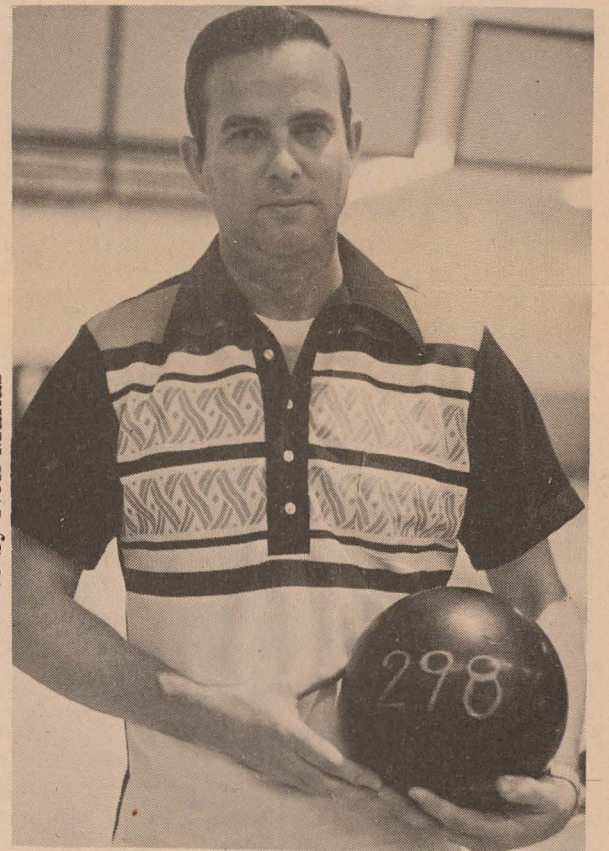


Photo by Noli Manas

**Earl H. Hannan** shot 11 straight 1-3 pocket hits and than left a 4-9 split on the 12th ball for a 298 game at the Presidio Bowling Lanes, the first at the Presidio since 1976. Hannan is currently averaging 204 in the Ft. Scott Intramural Bowling League. His previous high game was a 269. Hannan will be presented with a 298 ring by the American Bowling Congress.

# Basketball Results Reported

by Bob Gascon

**6th Army 66 — 16th AG 25**  
6th Army's **Bobby Brooks** and **Robert Clipper** scored 28 points between them as the leaders of the Ft. Scott League demolished 16th AG 66 to 25.  
**FBI 84 — LAMC #2 46**  
High Scorers: FBI - **Mike Kennan** 30, LAMC #2 - **Willy Randolph** 10.  
**16th AG 64 — INSCOM 43**  
High Scorers: 16th AG - **Kenneth Frank** 18, INSCOM - **Dan Flanagan** 13.  
**USACC 46 — DENTAC 35**  
High Scorers: USACC - **Calvin Black** 16.....  
, **DENTAC - David Terribilini** 17.  
**6th Army 59 — PHS 22**  
High Scorers: 6th Army - **Bobby Brooks** 12, PHS - **Kjeld Molvig** 5.

**USACC 38 — PHS 32**  
High Scorers: USACC - **Calvin Black** 11, PHS - **Art Olliverre** 8.  
**INSCOME 46 — PHS 37**  
High Scorers: INSCOM - **Hatten** 15, PHS - **Kjeld Molvig** 12. INSCOM  
**6th Army 57 — DENTAC 40**  
High Scorers: 6th Army - **Robert Clipper** 20, **Bobby Brooks** 16, DENTAC - **Larry Sanders** 18.  
**LAMC #3 58 — USACC 45**  
**Richard Odom's** 26 points paved LAMC #3's victory over USACC 58 to 45. **Calvin Black** of USACC coming off the bench scored 18 points.  
**LAMC #1 63 — 864th Engrs 55**  
Containing 864th Big Gunner **Jacob Wilson** to 10 points, LAMC #1 continues to remain undefeated in the Presidio League with a 3-0 record. **John Lankford** of LAMC #1, 17 points was high for the game.  
**FBI 76 — USAG 69**  
Keeping pace with LAMC #1 in the Presidio League, the men of the FBI outscored Garrison 9 to 2 in the

overtime period to improve their record to 3 wins and 1 loss. **Mike Kennan's** 28 points for the FBI was high for the game that was marked with 57 fouls. 34 against USAG and 23 for the FBI. The FBI outscored Garrison 31 to 19 on the foul line. **Powell** scored 18 points for the losers.

**LAMC #1 94 — 163rd MP Co 45**  
High Scorers: **John Richman** and **Wes Laymon** fired 30 and 22 points respectively as LAMC #1 ran over 163rd MP Co 94 to 45.  
**USAG 55 — LAMC #2 46**  
A 10 point advantage in the first half was Garrison's margin of victory as LAMC #2 outscored USAG 30 to 29 in the second half. **Bobby Washington's** 16 points for USAG was high for the game.  
**FBI 64 — LAIR 46**  
**Big Ed Gurinsky** held to 2 points in the first half, fired off the FBI by scoring 16 points in the second half to defeat LAIR 64 to 46. **Mike Rusnick** of LAIR scored 18 points in a losing cause.



# Holiday news notes

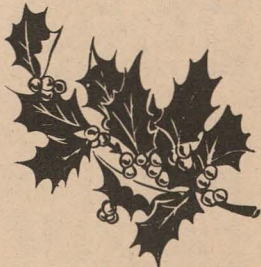
On December 1st, Bill Frey, restaurateur and long time friend to San Francisco USO, invites all active military to come to his restaurant and help decorate his tree. It's a spectacular event, held every year, and there are hundreds of fancy and fabulous ornaments to put on the tree. There will be free hamburgers and other refreshments, Xmas caroling, and anyone who has a guitar is urged to bring it. That's Friday, Dec. 1, 9 till midnight, at Bill's Place, 2315 Clement St. Meet at USO at 375 O'Farrell and go with group, or take "B" Geary bus to 25th Ave., and walk one block.



There will be a combined Christmas Dance and Hail and Farewell held at the Presidio Officers Club on Friday, December 8, beginning with cocktails at 7 p.m. Dinner will follow at 8 p.m. and dancing will begin at 9:30 p.m. Menu will be as follows: New York Steak — \$14.25 per person or Monterey Abalone — \$13.00 per person. This price includes wine, band and gratuities.

All officers and GS-7's and above are invited to attend.

Dress code will be announced at a later date. For reservations contact 1Lt Benjamin Agustin at ext. 4277 NLT Dec. 5.



There will be a bake sale sponsored by the Enlisted Men's Wives Club on Saturday at the Main PX Shopping Mall beginning at 9 a.m. The wives will also participate in the gift wrap operation during the holidays. In lieu of their monthly meeting, the wives will have a Christmas get together.

In January the women are expecting to hear from you. They are anxious to meet you and have you join the fun and take part in their important function: Service to the community!



All thumbs when wrapping gifts? Beginning December 1 through December 24, our volunteer gift wrappers are available again this year at the Main P.X. to help you with your Christmas wrapping. Hours are: 10 a.m. - 9 p.m., Monday - Friday; 9:30 a.m. - 5:30 p.m., Saturday; Noon - 5 p.m., Sunday. We also do wrapping for mailing. All proceeds go to the welfare funds of the Presidio Enlisted Men's Wives' Club, Letterman Women's Club, Presidio Officers' Wives' Club and Army Community Service.



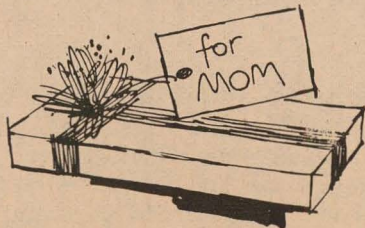
Sounds of the Season will be provided by the Cadet Girl Scout Troop #1464 and two Junior Scout Troops #'s 1522 & 10.

The Scouts led by Lisa and Teresa Hayes, Carol Galvin and Susan McNiesh will sing Christmas Carols from 7 to 8:30 p.m. at the Main PX on Friday, December 1.

The Scouts have worked hard to prepare for this entertainment session and they are anxious to see you. Why not stop and see them perform?

"Consistent with the Energy Conservation Program at PSF, decorative outdoor lighting at PSF will be limited to the same degree as in prior years. Two lighted exterior displays are authorized."

1. One central display in the vicinity of the flagpole.
2. A small display at the Chapel.



The Letterman Women's Club Christmas luncheon will be held on Thursday December 14 at the Presidio Officers' Club. Donna Nordin, the guest speaker, will demonstrate holiday baking at its best!!! Donna Nordin is a graduate of Le Cordon Bleu cooking school in Paris and is now the owner of La Grande Bouffe cooking school at 2235 Greenwich in San Francisco. She is offering a 10% discount and will share 3 recipes with all who attend. Bring along one of your favorite Christmas decorating items for the Christmas craft exchange!

The sherry hour begins at 11:30 and lunch will be served at noon.

Hostesses for the luncheon are from the Departing of Psychiatry. For reservations call Mrs. Judy Cannon (561-4521) in San Francisco or Mrs. Gail Beatrice (472-2996) in Marin by noon, December 12.

## PREVIEW:

The guest speaker at the January 11, 1978 luncheon will be Brig. Gen. Floyd W. Baker, Hospital Commander, Letterman Army Medical Center. Circle the date and join us for an informative afternoon!!



If you want off from work for religious reasons, a new law gives you the choice of working overtime to make up for the missed hours, instead of having to use annual leave or losing pay.

Under the Federal Employees Flexible and Compressed Work Schedules Act of 1978, you will be allowed to work overtime hours equal to the time you took off from your normal work schedule. The compensatory overtime should be worked either before or after the time off, but it would have to be completed without a reasonable period.

There is no restriction about the kind of religious holiday or observance the law would apply to. Any personal religious belief would allow an employee to ask for time off and the opportunity to make it up in overtime.

The law also contains a provision, however, that an agency may deny a request for time off for religious observances if it interfered with the agency's ability "to efficiently carry out the mission of the agency."



**Motorized Cable Car Christmas Tour** — Tour San Francisco after dark on our annual motorized cable car Christmas tour. Lots of fun for everyone. Sign up now. **Seats are going fast.** Tour is for Dec. 22nd at 6:00 p.m. \$2.00 deposit returned to you upon departure of tour. **Dickens Christmas Fair** — We now have discount coupons available to this fun fair. Bring the whole family. The fair runs weekends through Dec. 23rd. **San Francisco Ballet "Nutcracker"** — Dress Circle seats are now available for this spectacular ballet. These seats are discounted from \$9.50 to \$8.25 per seat. Performance is at the War Memorial Opera House Sunday night Dec. 10th at 7:00 p.m. We also have discount cards available to different amusement areas. For further information call ext. 2000/5480 AFTER 2:00 p.m. daily.

# Mission Essential

by Ted Elisee



**Jennifer Bracamonte**

Ms. Jennifer Bracamonte, Admin Clerk, Readiness Group, Readiness Region IX has an interesting sideline.

Jennifer is a professional actress, who could be on the road to stardom. Said Jennifer, "My dream is to make it big in the theater, especially in the musical theater." She has appeared in many major pictures as an extra and as a bit player. For example, Jennifer appeared in "Foul Play" as a stand-in for co-stars and as an extra. Also, she had a bit gig in "Towering Inferno." Recently she was put on film as an extra in the upcoming pic "Heartbeat."

Her job at Readiness Group requires her to make Travel Arrangements and hotel arrangements for personnel going to TDY.

Jennifer is a native San Franciscan and has worked for the government for 5 years.



**Philip White**

Pvt. 2 Philip White is new to the Presidio. Phil is single and comes to us from Rockhill, South Carolina.

Newly assigned to the Post Photo Facility, Phil has just completed a four month course in motion picture work at Lowry AFB, Colo. Phil said he chose this field because it would give him the opportunity to get the experience he needed to break into the motion picture industry in the civilian world.

California was his choice of assignment when he enlisted. He said, "I'm really glad to be here, and I hope to do a good job for the Presidio."



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## SQT: How does it fit into your career as an enlisted soldier?

by Robert Wilcox

The purpose of the Skill Qualification Test (SQT) is to improve the combat effectiveness of Army units by getting soldiers to do their jobs better.

While the mission of the Presidio is not the same as a post where there is a large segment of combat or combat support units, we must be prepared both individually, and as units, for combat if the need arises. It is therefore imperative that we maintain our combat effectiveness. The Skill Qualification Test is one method of accomplishing this.

The SQT is composed of three components. A Written Component (WC), a Performance Certification Component (PCC) and a Hands On Component (HOC). The WC is used to test those tasks requiring decision making or other mental abilities on the part of the soldier. The PCC allows the supervisor to observe a soldier's performance of tasks that require extensive use of manipulative or physical dexterity. Some of these tasks require extensive time, equipment, or personnel to test and are not feasible or cost effective to duplicate during the SQT.

The PCC allows a supervisor to rate the soldier's performance using the conditions, standards and performance measures contained in the Soldier's Manual. The HOC is that part of the SQT where the ability of the soldier to perform critical tasks of his MOS is tested on actual or simulated MOS-related equipment.

During the first years of the changeover to SQT, all MOS's will have a Written Component. Some MOS's will have the Performance Certification and Hands On Component. As SQT progresses, the emphasis will be shifted from the Written Component to the Hands On Component.

### Scoring

The SQT is scored differently than the old MOS Tests. The SQT is broken down into "scorable units" and in the Written Component each scorable unit will have from three to nine questions. For example: You have to answer three of four, five of six, or seven of nine correctly in order to pass the scorable unit. A Written Component may have between 30 and 50 scorable units in it. A Hands On Component can have from three to sixteen different "tasks" and each task may have from three to fourteen separate steps to it. Failure of one step may result in a failure of the entire task.

In SQT, passing a scorable unit or task is referred to as "GO" and failure is "NO GO." With the old MOS test your score was related to how well you did compared to how others taking the same MOS test did. If everyone including yourself, did poorly, you could still have a high MOS test score. In SQT everyone is scored against the standard of 100%, and the number of "GO's" on scorable units, tasks, or credit on the Performance Certification determines your SQT score. You are no longer competing against each other, but against the standard of 100%. In order to "Pass" or verify your MOS the SQT you must achieve a score of 60% "GO." In order to qualify for promotion to E-5 and E-6, you must achieve a score of 80% "GO." Any exceptions to this are determined by Department of the Army.

Another difference between the old MOS Test and SQT is that with SQT if a score of 60% or higher is achieved you will only test every two years instead of every year or testing cycle. If you score less than 60% you will test the following year and if a score of less than 60% is achieved the second year you may be considered for reclassification or elimination from the service. If you score more than 60% but less than 80% you may voluntarily take the SQT the following year in order to improve your score, or to retain your personal efficiency.

### Eligibility

To be eligible for taking the SQT a soldier must have one year Active Federal Service, 90 days in the MOS and skill level as of the date of testing. Soldiers in pay grade E-5 and above must have also have held their



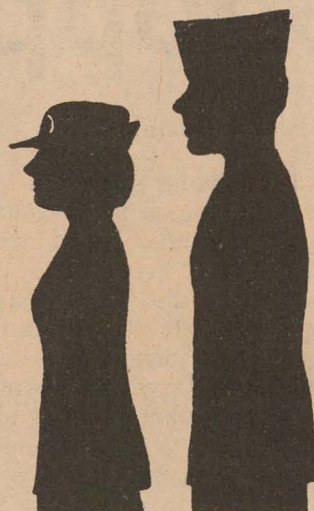
Unit Training was conducted at Co D, 864th Eng Bn for the MOS 63B Hands On Component SQT.

Sgt. Roberto Salazar, PFC Antonio Perry's squad leader uses the SQT notice to train Perry in the specific tasks being tested.

(Photo by Tina Juber)

grade a minimum of 90 days immediately prior to testing. No minimum time in grade is required for soldiers in paygrades E-4 and below. At the current time, SQT for E-8's and E-9's has been suspended until further notice. During the transition period some MOS's will not test all pay grades.

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Each soldier will have available, through his/her unit, Soldier's Manuals pertaining to his/her MOS. The Soldier's Manual lists for the soldier those critical tasks needed to perform satisfactorily at his/her present skill level and the next higher skill level within the MOS. In addition, it tells the soldier how to perform the tasks, the expected conditions under which they will be performed, and the standards which must be met. The Soldier's Manual is the basis for the selection of tasks used in the SQT; all tasks in the SQT are taken directly from the Soldier's Manual.

The SQT Notice lists all of the tasks which will be tested in the Written Component and Hands On Component. The soldier will have the SQT Notice a minimum of 60 days prior to taking the SQT.

Training for the SQT should be a year around function with emphasis during the 60 days prior to the SQT on those items listed in the SQT Notice. While the soldier is responsible for learning the material in the Soldier's Manual, it is also the responsibility of the soldier's first line supervisor to insure that the soldier is trained.

### Time Frames

Approximately 30 days after taking the SQT the soldier will receive an ISR, Individual Soldier's Report. This will give the SQT score, or percent "GO" and will list those tasks the soldier received a "NO GO" on. Approximately 30 days after the end of the SQT test period or cycle the soldier will receive an USAEREC Form 10A, which will give the relative standing of the soldier's SQT score in relation to others taking the same SQT.

The next war is likely to be a "come as you are" affair, we must know where we stand, so we can improve our combat readiness.

(SQT Guide For Leaders) Commanders and leaders at all levels must know whether soldiers can perform under combat conditions. The SQT is one method of providing this information.

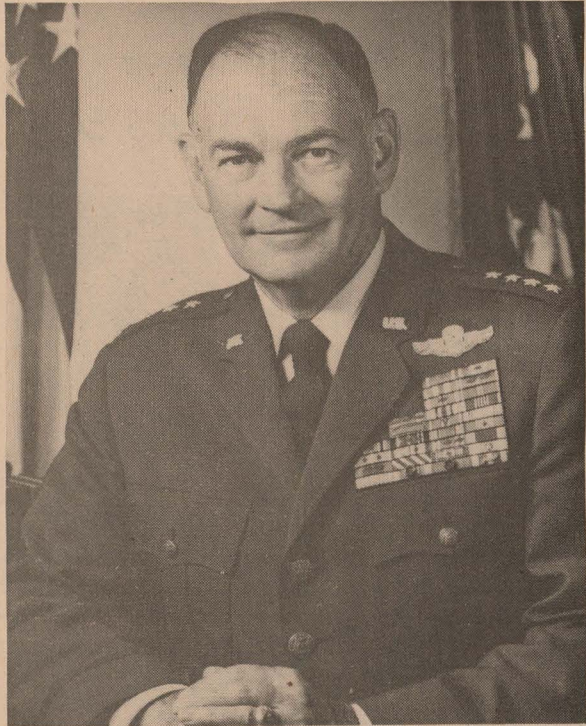
Information for this article was excerpted from the following sources: SQT - A Guide For Leaders, US Army Training Support Center Bulletin, August 1978 and DA Circular 611-70.

**Editor's Note:** This is the first in a series of informational tools that will appear in the Star Presidian on the subject of SQT.

The purpose of these info tools is to properly prepare every enlisted soldier on the Presidio for career progression.



# Gen. Brown dies



The following is a statement made by Secretary of Defense Harold Brown on the death of General George S. Brown:

"The nation has lost a great patriot and an outstanding military leader. George Brown was inspirational and innovative chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff. He was a pioneer as an Air Force officer. He was a sincere, straightforward, and dedicated man. He was a friend . . . ."

# Christmas dance



SSgt. Michael Auletta, Operations Sergeant, 51st Engineers Det. and Sp5 Charlene Auletta, Religious Activities Center attended the SGM's Christmas Ball on December 1 at the Rec Center. The dance was a success. (Photo by Ken Juber)

# Comment

by Ted Elisee

It has come to my attention that many offices, sections, division, companies, etc. are involved in thinking of others during the upcoming holidays.

For example, one division is giving the money they would have spent on a pollyanna to individuals in a convalescent home, instead. The division plans to buy little gifts for the people to insure that they will have at least something on Christmas Day.

It really made me feel good to see that so many on the Presidio are thinking of others. It is my intention to publicize some of the particular good will projects that are being conducted here.

In the meantime, thanks for brightening my day!

# Letters to the Editor

Dear Editor

In reply to your Editorial, entitled "The City is not sick", dated 1 Dec 78, we feel that your reference to the "cement jungles in the east" is unfair, prejudiced, biased, and inaccurate.

We have spent almost all of our lives in these so called "cement jungles." Granted, one does learn to grow up faster there, but we still fail to see the difference from any other large city regardless of its geographical location. As far as the crime rate goes, we think you'll find them about the same overall. Our Harlems on the East Coast are no worse than your Tenderloin or Watts. Although the names have changed, the run down state of these areas have not. Where you find poverty and slums, you can expect to find crime. Has life really changed through the centuries? Though you may live and live life to the fullest, others merely exist (to many a product of their environment).

Your description of San Francisco is slightly incorrect (excuse the sarcasm) and fallacious. In the article you stated, "A city that accepts all without question," — if this is true, please explain all the demonstrations (violent and non-violent), acts of physical harm and killings to us. Many of these incidents occur against individuals or groups of individuals who many consider "different." Personally, we thought judgment was only passed by GOD. Are you so sure that this city is all you claim it to be???

Let's be realistic, no city, like no one individual is perfect, they could all do with some changes/improvements, but to say that San Francisco is better than any East Coast city is bull!!! We suggest you open your eyes, ears, and mind to what's going on around you and all over these United States. What you find may not always be pretty, but it's all a part of life. We hope you don't find it too rude of an awakening.. Things really aren't so different after all, are they?

"Cement jungles" exist throughout the entire United States and the world.

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BRONX, NEW YORK  
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SGT DORIS M. REDNER  
PATERSON, NEW JERSEY  
HQ Co, USAG

SP4 VIVIAN E. RODGERS  
CLIFFWOOD, NEW JERSEY  
LAMC

Dear Editor,

San Francisco has been the dreamers dream, the travelers resting place, and the wanderers home for many years. She is a strong, beautiful, rich, and fair city to all who come in contact with her. Her leaders listen to the people, not a select few, but ALL the people. She has seen destruction through acts of God and man, yet she remains steadfast. People have come from miles and miles away to share in this strength and beauty, yet now, in her time of need, San Francisco is called 'sick' and said to be full of crazy nuts.

It's sad to think that all the good can be shoved so easily and quickly aside when tragedy strikes. It's sad that even the people who have benefited, in one way or the other, from this city can now put it down without a second thought. While it's true that the events through the past few weeks have left me tired from within, and have filled me with sorrow like I've never experienced before, the negative response of the people has depressed me even more.

So, thank you for your editorial of support for our city, I needed it today. And to all of those who choose to slander rather than support San Francisco in her time of sorrow and need, may I say 'GO FLY A KITE — SOMEWHERE ELSE!!!

Kalinn Lashley  
Facilities Engineers

Dear Writers and Readers,

It is amazing how many calls and conversations and letters I have been receiving about my comments on The City.

I must say that most of the input has been in support of the editorial, but I am glad that the negative vibes have been expressed, too.

In response to the east coast contingent, I can only say that you have assumed that I am from the West Coast. San Francisco has become my city because I feel refreshed here. After spending four years in Europe and seeing such major cities as Munich, Heidelberg, Nuremberg, Hannover, Cologne, Amsterdam, Rotterdam, Dem Hague, Brussels, Strasbourg, Marseilles, Paris, Rome, Milan, Zurich, Lucerne, Vienna, Innsbruck, Salsburg, Luxembourg City, and also seeing some of the Orient during my eighteen months there, I feel I have seen a good cut of cities around the world.

I have seen much of the U.S. too, especially the East Coast. My belief about the safety of The City comes from my experience with the east. You see, I was born, raised, and educated in the east. Just sign me —

The Editor  
Philadelphia, Pa.

# Shoppers paradise

by Bernard Cannon

The Christmas shopping season is here! Americans will be purchasing a large volume of consumer goods and large amounts of money will be changing hands.

Christmas season is also prime time for local thieves, who are eager to take advantage of the movement of goods and money. On Presidio in the last two weeks four Privately Owned Vehicles (POV's) have been broken into and expensive items were stolen. This is a good indication that POV's are a prime target, therefore when shopping, secure your goods in your truck or auto and take them directly home. Do not leave your shopping or expensive items inside your POV passenger compartment. It only takes a matter of seconds for a thief to open your car door.

The City of San Francisco is a shoppers paradise, and no doubt members of Presidio will do some of their Christmas shopping downtown. San Francisco attracts tourists from all over the world each year. Professional pickpockets are also attracted to San Francisco to practice their skills. There are many different kinds of pickpockets. One type, are youth gangs who are in the age group of 14-15 years, who have been known to use diversion techniques and have utilized acid and razors to get through a victim's clothing. Another

type of pickpocket may be dressed in a business suit and appear to be a respectable businessman. The point is pickpockets are hard to stereotype, because they blend with the environment in which they operate.

You can be sure that pickpockets operate mostly in the tourist areas of the city, therefore you should be on your guard when walking in crowded tourist areas. Should you desire more information on how to protect yourself from pickpockets, you are invited to phone the Provost Marshal's Office at 5011.

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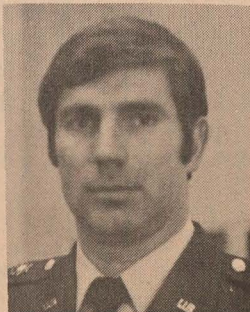


# Ramblin' Sam

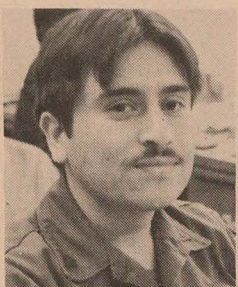


## What do you think of the new fraternization policy?

SSgt. Victor Retterer, Accounting Specialist, Finance & Accounting — "I think the new policy is completely outmoded and should be revamped. I think people should be able to fraternize. The new policy is one step backwards in the move for equal rights. People should be treated as adults."



Maj. Bruce Sutcliffe, Office of Recruiting & Retention, Sixth Army — "I always liked the old policy — "Thou shalt not fraternize." It was the policy most conducive to discipline."



Sp4 Valentine De Leon, Jr., Finance Clerk, Finance & Accounting — "I agree with the new policy. No fraternization should be allowed if it interferes with the mission. Now, if there is no problem with the mission then a couple should do their own thing, regardless of rank."

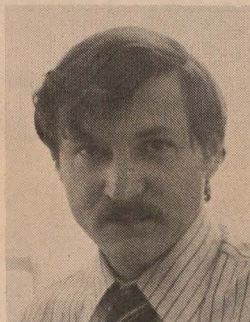
Mrs. Mary Curry, Admin. Supervisor, DCSPA Admin — "I have no particular feelings one way or the other about fraternization, but I do feel that all rules and regulations that are established on a post should be regarded as policy for both military and civilians. What is good for one group is good for the other."



Mr. Chuck Dasey, Public Information Specialist, 6th Army Public Affairs — "I agree with the overall goal of the policy - to maintain order and authority and to avoid favoritism on the job. I think that making the policy work will require good judgment on the part of commanders."



Jim Parker, TA & R Supervisor, Finance & Accounting — "I agree that fraternization is bad if it has an impact on the mission. I find it difficult to think of a situation where it exists, though. I don't think the Army can control the normal emotions and relations of the people."



# Ed Center news

## ON-POST COLLEGE COURSES

Start the new year by gearing up your mind! If you have thought of continuing your education but you have been procrastinating, the Army Education Center offers you an opportunity to take convenient, fully accredited, on-post college courses from January 22 - March 16. The following courses fit into almost any degree plan:

**English 107** - Second Year Composition (Heinbockel). For those who have completed Eng 106 or a similar first semester English composition course. This popular instructor will assist you in improving your writing skills. Tues. & Thurs.

**History III** - History of Western Civilization II. The growth of political, economic and cultural institutions of the Western World from the Renaissance to the present time. No prerequisite. Counts as social science credit. Tues. & Thurs.

**Film 101** - Introduction to Film. We all go to movies, but what do we really know about them? In this course, you will learn about what makes film a unique medium, elements of structure and style, and what critics look for in judging films. This could be a most interesting and fun way to meet humanities requirements!! Mon. & Wed.

**Psychology 102** - Psychology of Social and Occu-pational Development (Gilbert). This course provides a unique opportunity: to learn basic concepts of psychology in terms of how they apply to you. You should emerge with a better understanding of how you got to where you are now. Applies toward Basic Subject requirements. Mon. & Wed.

**Biology 330** - Human Sexuality. Junior level course deals with the genital system, physiology of sexual response, love making, sexual deviation, restraints of law, birth control, and abortion. Mon. & Wed.

Courses are taught from 6-9 p.m. by San Francisco State University professors and are open to everyone. Tuition is \$111 per course. Those eligible may use the GI Bill, or active duty personnel may apply for 75% Army tuition assistance before the January 16 deadline. Interested? Just fill out the coupon below (do it now — no obligation) and submit it to the Letterman Education Center, Bldg. 1007 (LAMC and LAIR personnel) or the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216 (other units). If you need assistance in selecting a course or you would like to discuss your education program with a counselor, phone x2974 (Ft. Scott) or x4030 (LAMC). We are at your service!

# VIP comes to PSF



**WELCOME TO SAN FRANCISCO**... Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester, center-foreground, Commanding General, Sixth U.S. Army, welcomes Major General Fortunato U. Abat, right-foreground, Commanding General, Philippine Army, on General Abat's arrival in San Francisco Sunday, December 3. During the Philippine

General's visit to the area, he received briefings on Sixth Army and the California National Guard. During his 11 day visit to the United States as guest of the Army Chief of Staff, General Abat will visit several Army installations throughout the country. At left is Mrs. Abat.

(Photo by Ken Juber)

## Free Tests Pay Off for Soldiers

Are you interested in earning college credit? Perhaps you're already involved in a degree program, but don't have the time to take another semester for one or two of the courses required. The Ft. Scott and LAMC Education Centers offer DANTES and CLEP tests worth from 2-6 hours of college credit. The subject areas included are:

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| English          | natural science |
| math             | business        |
| foreign language | mechanics       |
| social science   | psychology      |
| electricity      | carpentry       |

The Education Centers would also like to call your attention to the entrance exams used by most colleges for admission. There has been a fee change for the ACT and SAT. For active duty personnel and reservists with more than 120 days active duty, the ACT and SAT are now Free of Charge. This is a savings of \$7.50 and \$8.00 respectively. For more information on any of these tests, contact a college counselor at the Ft. Scott Education Center or LAMC Education Center or call ext. 2974/4445 or 4030/3693.

**ETS within 90 days?** Attend the ETS Program Tuesday, December 12th, 1978, at 1:30 p.m. in the Ft. Scott Education Center, Bldg. 1216. Before you separate, get information about employment opportunities, apprenticeship, on-the-job training using your GI Bill, financial aid for further education as well as your veterans benefits. Call 2974/4445 to reserve your place for the program.



# OTEC course

The Organizational Effectiveness Training Center (OETC) has recently developed two self-study texts aimed at providing non-resident students (both military and civilian) with some specific OE - related skills and/or knowledge. These courses are concerned with the management of stress and job performance counseling.

## The purpose of The Management of Stress:

To provide a familiarization of the nature of stress, how to identify it and how to measure it. To enable the student to identify and select techniques that aid in the management of stress. To prepare the student to develop methods to reduce personal and organizational stress.

## The purpose of Job Performance Counseling:

To provide knowledge of specific techniques and methods to be used in motivating subordinates to improve their job performance. To provide a framework for preparing the counseling session, actually conducting the session, and counseling follow-up.

Since their development, these courses have become part of the Army Correspondence Course Program. In order to apply for enrollment, DA Form 145 (Army Correspondence Course Enrollment Application) must be submitted. These forms are available through company training personnel, the MOS Library in Bldg. 1227, ext. 5205, and LAMC Education Center, Bldg. 1007, ext. 4030.

# Holiday news notes

## Fort Point Navidad

The fourth annual "Fiesta de Navidad de San Francisco," a musical and joyous commemoration of the city's first Christmas celebration which attracts thousands each year, will be held from 1 to 4 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 9, at Fort Point in the Golden Gate National Recreation Area.

Flamenco dancers, mariachi band, Aztec dancers, Mexican clown act, Spanish Christmas songs, and the breaking of gift-filled pinatas are among the highlights of the festival at the historic red-brick fortress.

The fiesta commemorates the first Christmas celebration in 1776 by the settlers from Mexico who founded San Francisco.

Among the groups participating in the festival are the Ballet los Matlachines, Mariachi Guadalajara, Don Chon and Gallos, Conjunto Flamenco, and Cora Voces del Alma Mexicana.

Television personality Al Gutierrez will be master of ceremonies and the Rev. Floyd Lotito of St. Anthony's Dining Room will give the blessing. Prof. Mariano Tapia is the festival director.

Parents are encouraged to bring their children to the fiesta which includes the "Procession of the Posadas" — parade of children — and the breaking of pinatas filled with gift candies. Refreshments will be served.

The festival is sponsored by the Latin-American Senior Citizens Association, the Fort Point and Army Museum Association, and the National Park Service.

The Fort Point National Historic Site is located beneath the south end of the Golden Gate Bridge. The Muni Railway No. 28 bus stops within walking distance of the Civil War era fortress.

## Christmas mixer

College-aged Dependents of all Presidio personnel — Start the Holiday Season off by making new friends and renewing old acquaintances.

Join us for a casual evening of refreshments and dancing at the Presidio Officers' Wives' Club's "Christmas Mixer" - General Osteen's quarters - 1337 Pope St. - Dec. 23, 1978 at 8 p.m.

Please contact Jan Cason, 561-3469, if you know of anyone who would like to attend.

# Basketball news

## 864th Engineers 55 - USAG 53

Exchanging point for point throughout the game, 864th Engineers managed to hang on to their 2 point advantage in the first half; 26 to 24, and edged out USAG 55 to 53. USAG had a chance to send the game into overtime with two free throws, one second left in the game and trailing by two points. Jacob Wilson led the Engineers with 18 points. Frank Jones scored 20 points for Garrison.

## FBI 74 - 170th MP CO 66

Outscoring the 170th MP Co, 40 to 24 in the first half, the men of the FBI fought off a hot shooting MP team, in the second half for a 74 to 66 victory. Carl Bryant of the MP's led all scorers with 28 points. Mike Keenan paced FBI with 23 points followed by Ed Gurinsky with 16 points.

## LAMC #1 53 - LAMC #2 44

Trailing 20 to 25 in the first half, LAMC #1 came roaring back in the second half to outscore LAMC #2 33 to 19 for a 53 to 44 victory. Dwayne Gibson led all scorers with 18 points.

## HQ 6th Army 77 - INSCOM 10

HQ 6th Army continues to dominate the Ft. Scott League, as they demolished INSCOM 77 to 10 to remain undefeated in five games. Robert Clipper led all scorers with 20 points. Ron Black scored 8 points for INSCOM.

## 170th MP Co 92 - USAG 82

Scoring 78 points between them, Carl Bryant, 36, Wardell Miller, 22 and Clyde Hankerson 20, the Military Policemen ran over USAG 92 to 82. James Scott led Garrison with 18 points with Frank Jones and Patterson contributing 16 points each in a losing cause.

## LAMC #3 70 - 16th AG 54

Jim Oxley scored 28 points, 15 in the first half, to lead LAMC #3 to a 70 to 54 win over 16th AG, and gain sole possession of second place in the Ft. Scott League. Perry paced 16th AG with 25 points.

## USACC 58 - INSCOM 21

High Scorers: USAC - Joe Brooks, 22 points; INSCOM - Ron Black, 10 points.

## P.H.S. 55 - DENTAC 40

High Scorers: P.H.S. - Tim Wolfe 19 points; DENTAC - Richard Harding 18 points.

The women of LAIR ran wild in the fourth quarter and outscored the Dependent Women, "Five Stars", 8 to 2 to earn a hard fought 21 to 15 victory. At the end of the third quarter the score was tied 13 to 13. LAIR's victory knotted their series with the Dependent Team, 1 to 1. Linda Winner led LAIR with 5 points. Mrs. Masterson of the "Five Stars" led all scorers with 6 points.

The first annual Women's Basketball Christmas Tournament will be conducted during the period 20 - 22 December at Post Gym #1, Bldg. #63. Teams interested in participating must contact the Presidio Sports Office NLT 18 December 1978. DAC civilians employed at the Presidio will be eligible to participate. For further information contact Bob Gascon, ext. 4120/5032.

Monday, 11 December, 170th MP Co vs LAMC #1, 7:15 p.m., Post Gym #1.

Tryouts for the Men's Post Basketball Team will be conducted 6 to 8 p.m. Friday, December 15 and 10 a.m. to noon, Saturday, December 16, at Post Gym #1. All active duty personnel interested in winning a berth on the Post Team are urged to attend the tryouts. A full schedule of practice games with some of the finest AAU and Junior College teams throughout the Bay Area are scheduled for January and February, to prepare for the FORSCOM Championship, to be held at Ft. Hood, Texas, February 26 through March 2, 1979. Contact the Presidio Sports Office for further information.

# Protect your home

by Don Delver

He was 26 years old, and had already spent 10 of those years in one correctional institution or another. He had been out of his most recent incarceration for only two weeks, and was already looking for an easy mark. Simonds Loop, close to the main entrance of the Presidio, seemed ideal. He'd heard some of his friends talk about the kind of things he'd be likely to find inside those stately homes. The officers who lived there traveled, often went out in the evening especially during the holidays, and their homes were full of things that could be quickly converted to cash. Cameras, jewelry, stereo equipment and televisions were always easy to fence.

His only problem would be determining which homes were unoccupied. Knowing that the residents were wary of daylight burglaries, he figured it would be risky to attempt a break-in until nightfall. At night, it would be a bit more difficult for anyone keeping an eye on someone else's home to spot his approach. Deciding to wait, he gathered the few tools he would need to do the job, and then rehearsed his plans for the evening.

## The crime

At 8 p.m. the bus dropped him off at the main entrance, and he walked toward Simonds Loop. Sneaking up the hill, he began observing the houses from which he would pick his target. Col. Smith's house was brightly lit, so it was out. Someone turned on the upstairs light at Col. Jones's house, so that too couldn't be hit. No lights were visible from Col. Brown's house, but when he got closer he heard voices and music, and the light was visible when he rounded the corner of the house. He was about ready to give up and go away empty handed when he noticed Col. Johnson's house at the end of the row, completely dark. A quick check revealed no lights, sound, or other indications that anyone was at home.

Imagine Col. Johnson's dismay when he came home to find his gun collection, his rare stamp collection, as well as his camera missing. Rich as his haul was, however, the burglar would have been dismayed, too, had he learned that Col. Brown, Col. Smith and Col. Jones were all at the same party with Col. Johnson, and that their houses had been unoccupied too. The difference was that they had made their houses look as though someone was home through the use of inexpensive timers.

A timer in the living room, set to turn a light on at dusk, and another in the bedroom, set to turn a light on somewhat later, will give the impression the home is occupied to anyone watching from the outside. The timers should be adjusted to the times you normally would turn a light on to avoid any noticeable changes in the lighting pattern. These timers will also turn the lights off at a predetermined time, which strengthens the illusion someone is home. Otherwise, a light burning all night and into the middle of the day would be a tipoff that no one was home.

This illusion should be further strengthened with the addition of a radio or television, to add the sound of music and voices to the home. Since some color sets get hot if left on too long, they should be on a separate timer, and only remain on a few hours. TV's and radios use very little electricity, and can afford immeasurable protection when you are away. Timer's can even be hooked up to your outside lights, to help patrols spot anyone prowling around your home, too.

## Cost

Timers of this sort are inexpensive and available through hardware stores, major department stores, and discount houses. They start at about \$4.00. While no brand names can be recommended, there are some features you should look for. First, make sure your timer is Underwriter Laboratories (UL) listed. This is important to be sure your timer has been checked for fire hazards. Second, try to find timers with a random element. These timers can be set to turn the lights on at slightly different times each night, which adds a human touch if you are going to be gone for more than two days. Finally, be sure that you don't overload your timers. Check the capacity of each timer you buy, and don't plug your skillet into a timer meant to handle a 40 watt light bulb.

Using your imagination, and some very inexpensive hardware, you can deter a would-be burglar. A representative of the Provost Marshal's crime prevention section would be happy to explain all the programs available for protecting yourself and your property, or to answer your questions. Call them at 561-5011.



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## The Great Dinosaurs



# Troop Talk

by Ted Elisee

Welcome to Troop Talk. It's been a hectic week. We are glad to bring you this eight pager this week. You will see another eight pager next week, too! Hopefully, this will be the trend of our size in the future. A lot of this depends on you. We need all the calls and input we can get. If you have something you would like to submit to our paper, just give us a call.

USAG reports some great news to us. The First Sergeant, Jimmie Dalton was selected to be a Sergeant Major. The promo is well deserved and special congrats were sent by the Orderly Room personnel. MSgt. R.E. Leach of Post Public Affairs was also selected for E-9. The unit was happy to report many promotions. They were as follows: Kathie Chadbourne to SSgt., Michelle Greenberg, Darrell Johnson, Shannon Folks, and Derrick Holmes to Sp4, Michael Bailey, Sharon Abrams, and Ana Natal to PFC. Congratulations to all of you.

D Co., 864th Engineers reported the promotion of Robert Niemczynski to SFC. Also promoted were Robert Taveres to E-4 and Thomas Gianetto, Frank Kersul, James O'Connell, Daniel Smith and Jamie Witcher to E-3. New arrivals were SFC Donald Iseberg, SSgt. Thomas Estok, SSgt. Bennie Gurrero, SSgt. Donald Griffin, Sp4 Otis Huff, Sp4 Richard Mayer, and Sp4 Robert Rogers. The unit welcomes all of you.

Departing the unit were SSgt. Richard Han who ETSed and Sp5 John Nichols who also ETSed.

The unit just returned from the field where they were gearing up for RTEP.

Congratulations were also in order for Sp4 Corey Mooneyham who successfully completed a Wheel Vehicle Mechanics course at Ft. Lewis.

The 163rd MP Co. bids farewell to LTC Carolyn Cain, PMO. LTC Cain is departing for Ft. McClellan, Alabama. She received the Army Commendation Medal. The unit also bid farewell to Sgt. Carl Taylor who departed for Korea, Sp4 Anthony Brown who departed for Germany, and PFC David Underwood who departed for Germany. A new arrival was PFC Michael Howard.

51st Engineers reports the promotion of Ivan Hill to PFC. Good Conduct Medals were awarded to Sp4 Ropati Ropati and Sp5 Robert Freeland. The unit welcomed the arrival of Sp4 Gregory Willard from Worms, Germany.

HHD, 504th MP Bn. sends holiday greetings to everyone on the Presidio. They welcomed 2nd Lt. Kimberlee Fall into the unit. Promos to Sp4 were as follows: Teresa Cuellar, Felix Reclosado, Cheryl Parker and Lewis Gladfelter, Jr. A promo to Sgt. was given to Hector-Luis Reyes. Congratulations to all of you. Departing the unit for ETS were: PFC Darlene Adams, Sp4 Otis King, Sp4 John Donnellan, Sgt. William Smith and Sgt. Steve Bartley and also Sp4 Bruce McNeal. Departing for PCS to Germany was Sgt. David Hurtle. Newly arrived was PFC David Lauferski.

DIO called to report that MSgt. Sandford Hall received the ARCOM. He is departing for Korea. The section wishes him well.

16th AG Postal reported the promotion of Ralph Bader to SSgt. The troops of this unit are delivering packages for the Post Office during the holiday season. They are also still processing APO mail for the Far East.

Sp4 Ester Faulkner and Sp5 Roger Leighton volunteered their services as ushers at the Sixth Army Band Concert at the Palace of Fine Arts.

The unit has received a letter of recognition commending them for their participation during the Reforger Exercise.

That wraps it up for the week. Take care all and talk to you next week.

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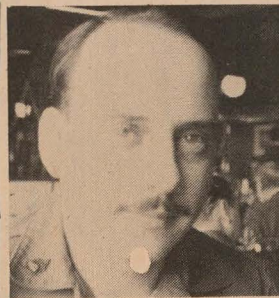
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## Ramblin' Sam



Are there any customs that you and your family practice at Christmas-time?

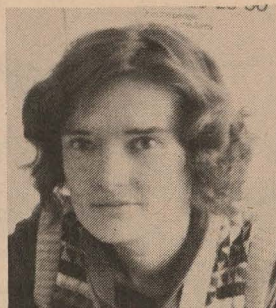


SSgt. Peter Wingers, S-4, HHD, 504th MP Bn. — "Everybody in my family puts up the tree together. It's a family tradition. Usually we do this a few weekends before Christmas. Christmas morning is reserved for our family to open our presents together. If we have presents to give to our friends, we do it on Christmas Eve, so we can have Christmas Day to ourselves."

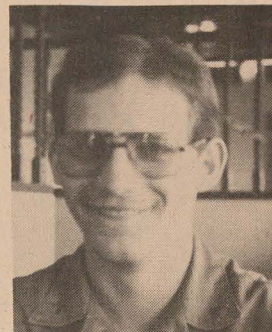


Mrs. Ella Lewis, Records Clerk, COMPACT — "We go to San Jose to visit with my daughter and son. On the 26th we go to Tahoe together as a family. We usually get back in time for New Years."

Ms. Susan Wagert, Mil Pers Clerk, COMPACT — "The whole family gets together to have dinner. We sometimes play Monopoly. We like to have wine with our meal."



Pvt. 2 Wayne Coffey, Truck Driver, 864th Engrs. — "On Christmas Eve we went to the Candlelight Service. My father's side always exchanges gifts on Christmas Eve, and then we would eat a buffet dinner. On Christmas Day we exchanged gifts with my mother's side and had our main Christmas meal."



Pvt. 2 Jan Holloway, Movements Specialist, Transportation Division — "We would always wait till Christmas morning to open our presents. It's more fun to wait till Christmas day. Of course we always have a turkey dinner."



Pvt. 2 Marti Evans, Movements Specialist, Transportation Division — "My mother always woke us up so that we could be fully dressed when we went downstairs to open our presents. She lined us up according to our age and then we went downstairs. We always opened our presents together."

## SQT Tips



Training at the SQT Hands on Component test site prior to the day of the test is an option available for SQT. CW3 Jerald Evens, Test Site Manager for the 63B/C SQT Hands on Component, authorized this training for two days prior to the test. Here, SSgt. Thomas Johnson (Maintenance Supervisor, Co D, 864th Engr Bn), a scorer for the 63B/C HOC, conducts training for Sp4 Mark De La Gardie, on the equipment to be used in the test.



# Two 170th MP's save SF man

by Ted Elisee

Quick thinking and heroic action on the part of two 170th MP Co. military policemen resulted in a saved life of a San Francisco man on November 26, 1978.

The two policemen, Pvt. 2 James E. Nelson and Pvt. 2 James E. Nelson and Pvt. Kris Melvin are assigned to the 3rd Platoon of the 170th MP Co. Nelson is 19 years old and is from Jacksonville, North Carolina. Melvin, also 19, is from Mt. Morris, Illinois. Both men received their basic training and AIT around the same time but were assigned to different companies.

Nelson and Melvin were out on a sightseeing jaunt of Fisherman's Wharf and the Marina area that Sunday night. While walking past "Gashouse Cove," they observed an auto moving backwards towards the bay. The auto fell into the bay, with the driver of the auto still behind the wheel.

The car was still floating on the surface of the water when Nelson and Melvin sprung into action. They stripped off their outer clothing and dove into the freezing water (the outside temperature was approximately 45 degrees). By the time they reached the sinking auto it was apparent that the victim was dazed and unable to get out of the car on his own.

The policemen began the rescue operation simultaneously. Said Pvt. Nelson, "It was obvious that the man was dazed. The car was sinking and the suction was pulling us down, too. We just swam away from the car and regrouped. Then we swam back to get the man out."

Said Pvt. Melvin, "We just worked together on this thing. I recall thinking how cold the water was, but we just went ahead and worked together. I really don't think we thought about the danger we were in."

The men assisted the victim back to shore. When they arrived at shore, they noticed others had gathered to watch the life saving operation. One person from the crowd had called the ambulance and police.

A San Francisco Police report cited a hospital worker as saying, "if the victim had stayed under only moments longer, he would not have survived."

After saving the drowning man, Nelson and Melvin went home to get a good night's sleep. They did not

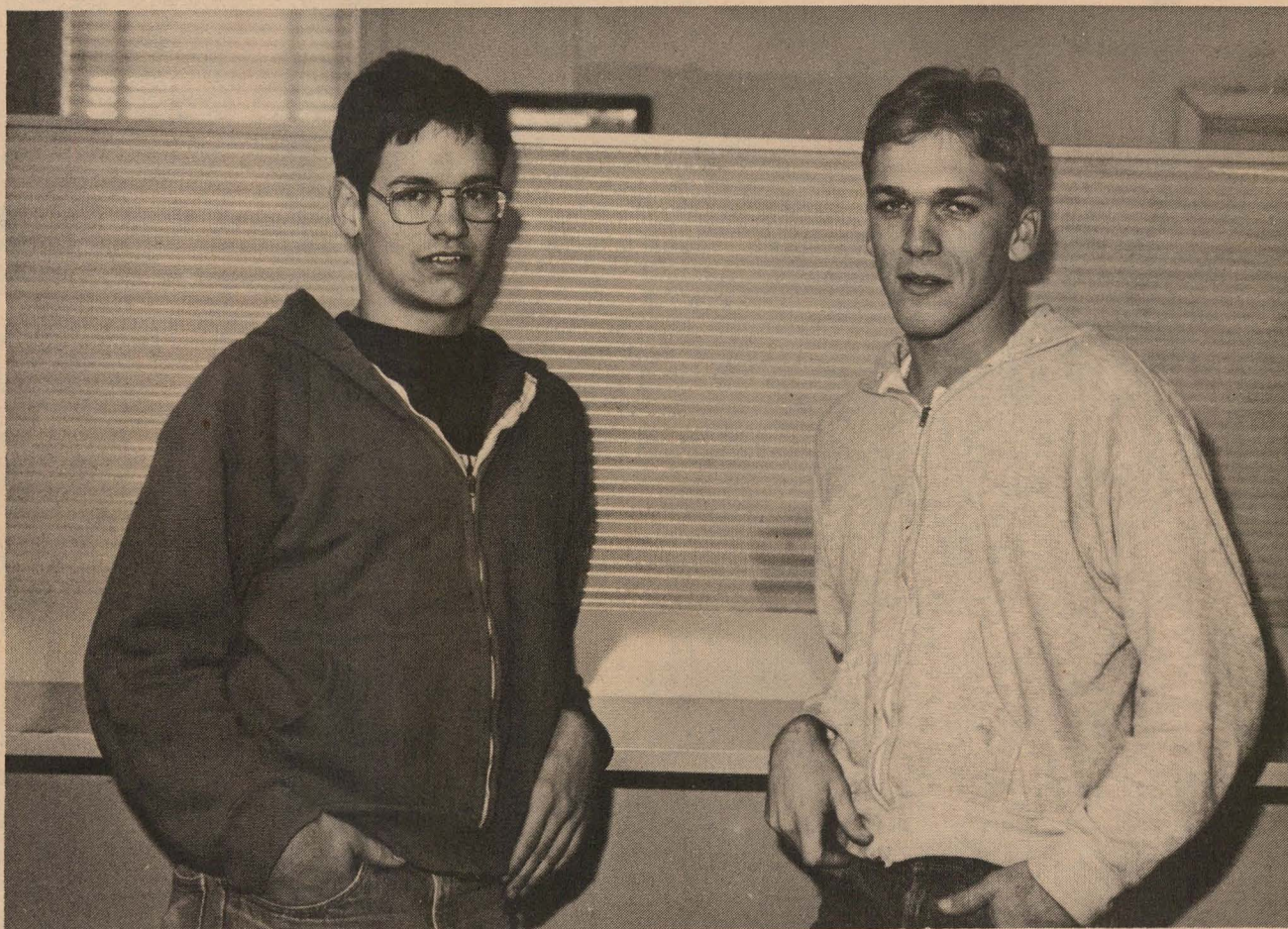


Photo by Tina Juber

Kris Melvin and James Nelson

realize that they had become heroes. The civilian news media had picked up on their story and had publicized it on TV. On top of that, paper work has begun to submit them for the "Soldiers Medal."

When asked whether they would do it all over again, James Nelson replied, "Yeah, I would do it. It was somebody's life." Then Nelson smiled and said, "Poor

Kris, he's still fighting a cold from that cold water."

Kris Melvin said, "I'd do it over again, but this is not the kind of thing that I would go out and practice waiting for the real thing. That water is just too cold this time of year."

## Mission Essential

Story and Photos by Ted Elisee

### Crime

### Scene



by Bernard Cannon

Military Police function best when the community reports crimes as they occur.

The sooner the police are informed, the sooner they can respond to the situation. Our laws are based on moral codes and each individual has his/her set of moral standards to live by. Some of our laws are difficult to interpret, but many are very basic and universal.

In the course of a year, how many crimes have you witnessed? My next question is — Did you report it? In society, there are certain acts by people that cannot be accepted or tolerated. Reports of such acts to the Military Police is a duty to the community. Should you witness a crime in progress, report it immediately. You will not have to reveal your identity to the perpetrators. Just call ext. 2251 or 2252 and inform the Desk Sergeant.

You can be sure that the Desk Sergeant is a responsible NCO who will keep all information you provide as confidential. Inform the policemen if the crime is still in progress; state the location; describe the color and type of clothing of the perpetrators and any other information that you may feel is important.

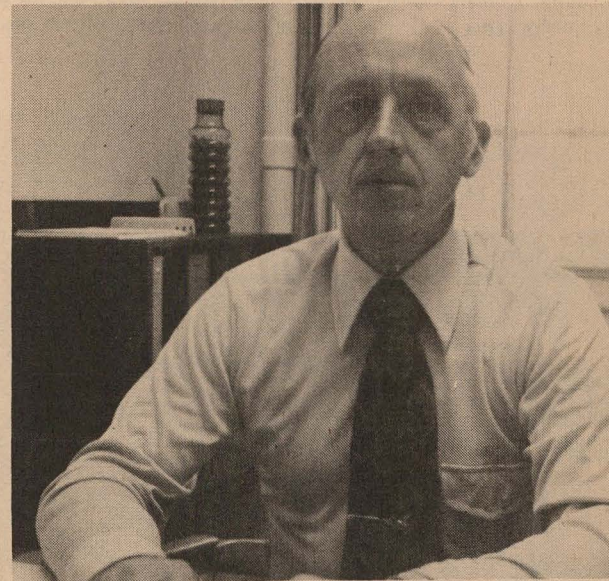
If you wish to discuss criminal trends of recurring behavior which you feel is unethical or illegal, you can do so privately with a competent Military Police Investigator. Just call ext. 4217 or 4721.

Mr. Severin Oberpriller, is the Chief of Logistics for HQ Sixth Region CIDC.

Mr. Oberpriller, who was born in Wisconsin, lives in Novato. As the chief for logistics, Severin provides field offices in eight western states with the equipment necessary to perform investigative missions. He finds his job rewarding because of the personal contacts he makes and because he is confident his work is keeping the agents supplied with the elements they need.

Mr. Oberpriller has 29 years with the Army, to include 21 years of active duty. He said, "I find that retired military fit well into the civil service framework, because a military person already knows how to work within the system."

Mr. Oberpriller can proudly point out that he has been presented ten outstanding performance ratings in the last eight years.



Severin Oberpriller



Kimberly Stafford

Corporal Kimberly Stafford is presently attached to the ID Card Section in COMPACT.

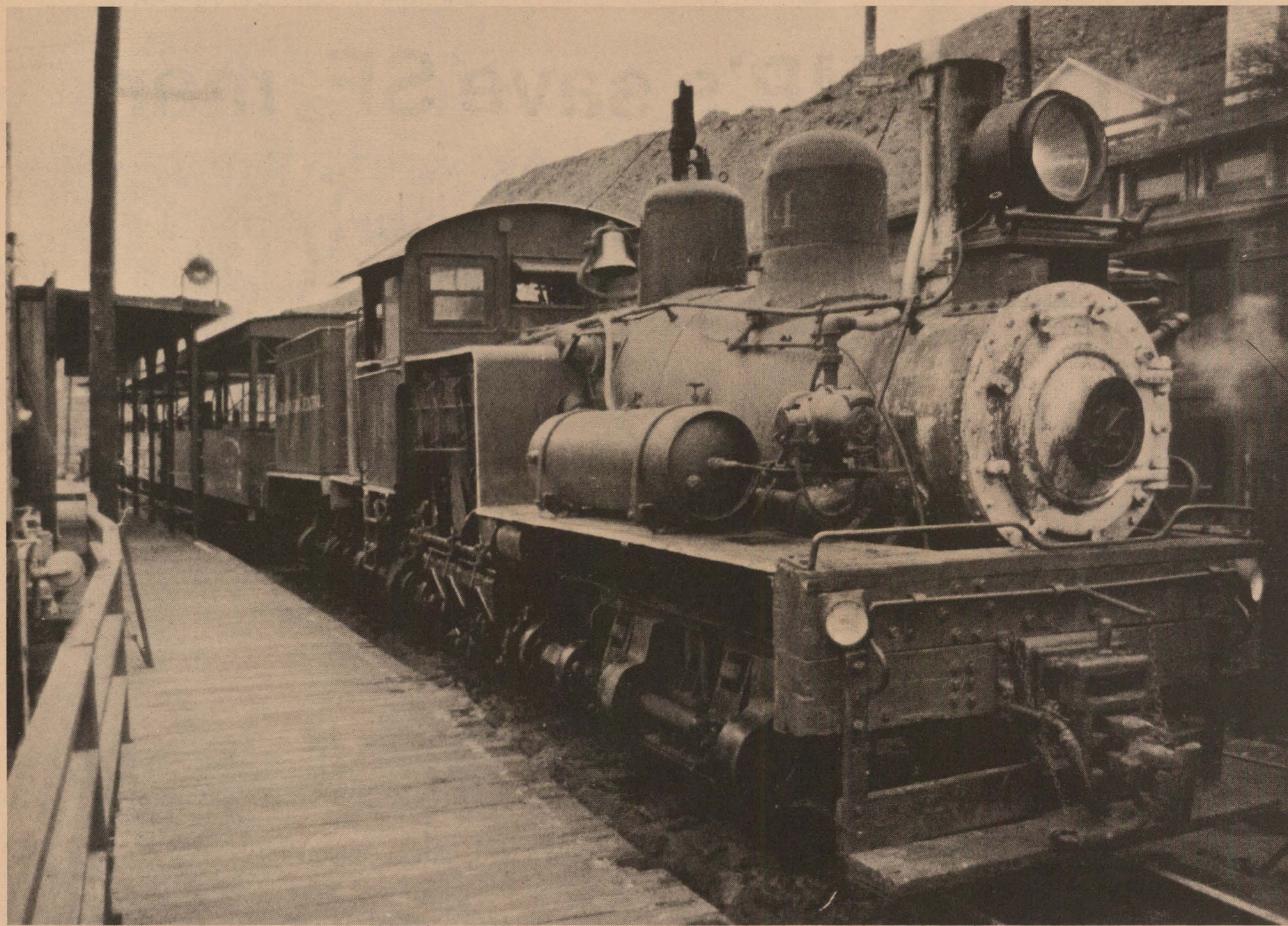
Since her AIT training, Cpl. Stafford has worked as a parachute rigger and a Tactical NCO and Airborne instructor at Ft. Benning, Ga. Of course, as an airborne instructor, Kimberly had to become airborne qualified.

Kim is proud that as a woman she has dispelled some beliefs about the so-called weaker sex. Said Stafford, "I'm not saying every woman can become airborne qualified, but many women have done it, and done it well. It takes a lot of drive and motivation that some women just don't have, but I've seen women do a great job going through the rigorous training that airborne qualification requires."

Kim went on to say that she was disappointed that the Women's Army Corps was abolished. Said Kim, "Like the Airborne, there was a certain amount of pride and tradition with the Women's Army Corps. If you mess with tradition, you mess with morale."

Corporal Kim Stafford has quite a goal for her life. She plans to eventually go to OCS and practice law.





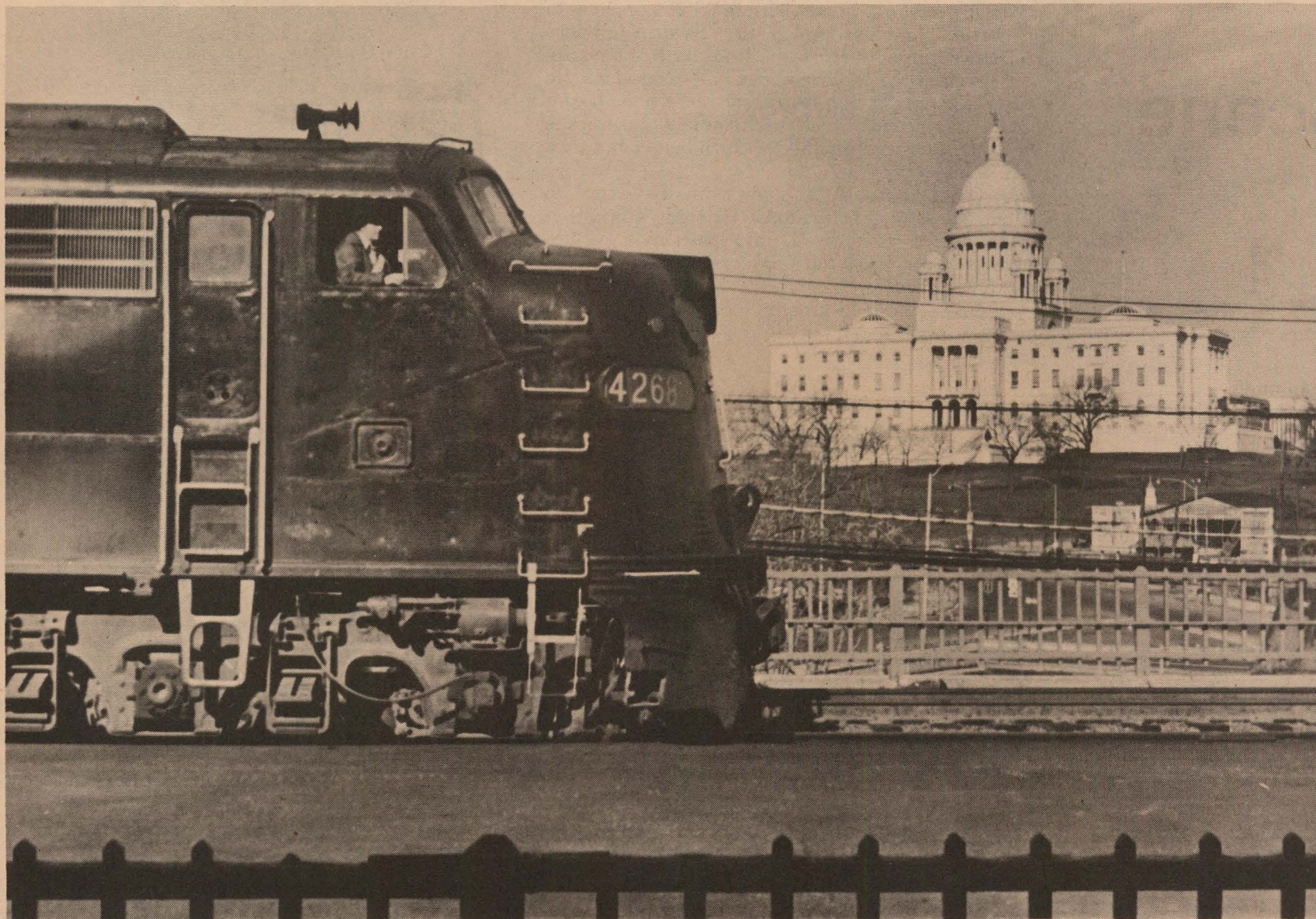
**"ALL ABOARD".** This old-timer is not ready to retire as it is still in use as a tourist attraction in Central City, Colorado. For a few dollars you can experience the spewing of steam and hear the clanging of bells as you ride on a short journey through the mountains of Central Colorado.

You can find them in cities and towns all across America. Rotting bridges, rusted bells, and roadbeds, where rails once ran, are all reminders of the great railroads of the past. They trigger memories of crowded stations with bustling travelers and shouts of "All Aboard" as a giant mechanical marvel would speed you to your destination.

Today, most of that is gone since rising costs and more efficient means of transportation has offered the traveler and business man a "better" way. The roman-

tic days of railroading exist today as memories in the hearts and minds of few. Fortunately, there are museums and collections scattered all across the nation where preservation and restoration have taken place so our children can have a glimpse at the "Golden Era" that once was.

Today, Amtrak's Amfleet rules the rails with sleek and shiny new engines and cars. The comfort and ride has vastly improved, but it will never bring back the popularity that once was. In years to come, it, too, will become a dinosaur of modern man.



**A CAPITAL IDEA?** Capital was the word for it as rising cost and more efficient means of transportation forced many railroads into bankruptcy. This diesel which is now obsolete still leads a small commuter train as it passes the State Capitol in Providence, Rhode Island.



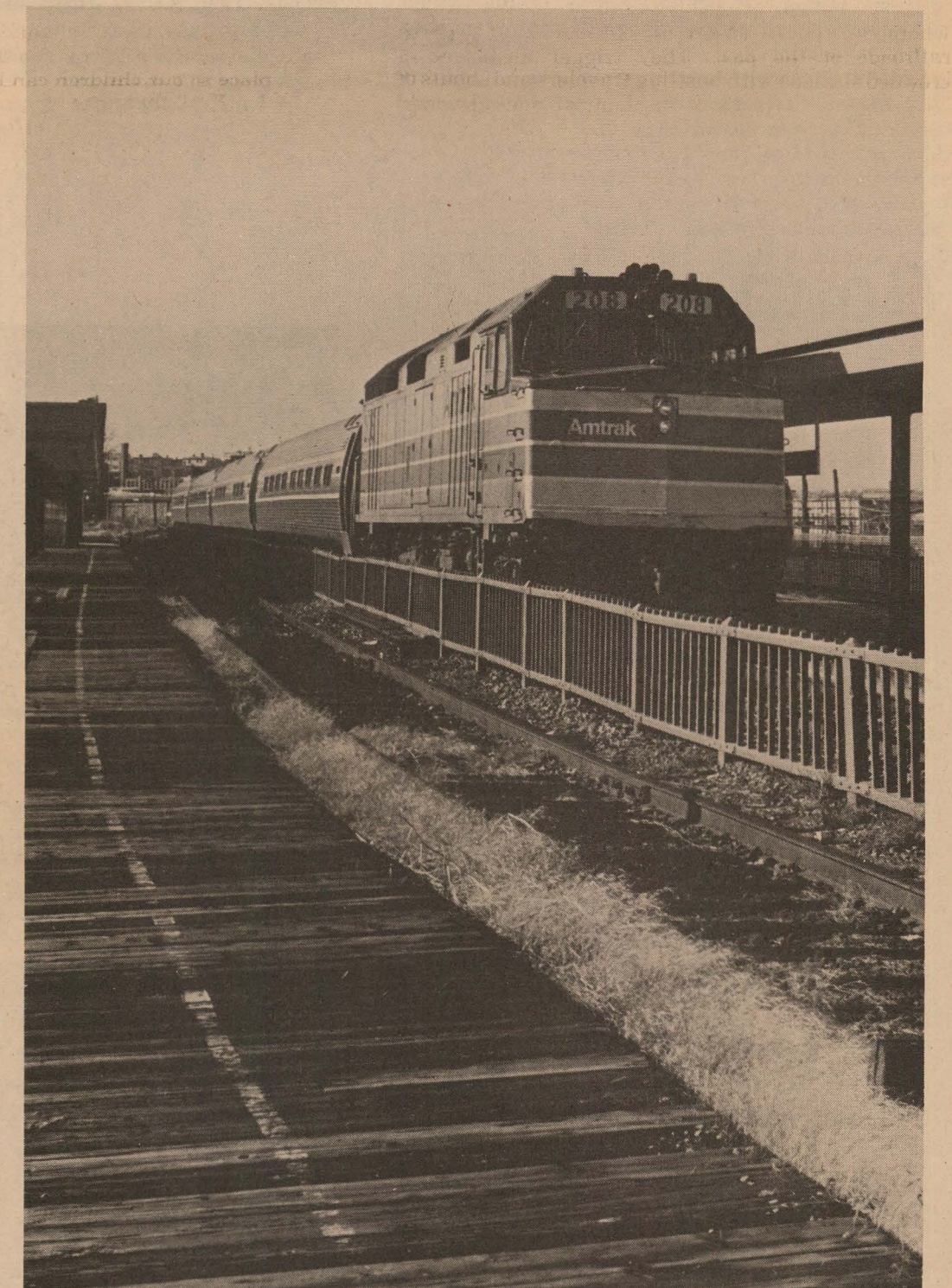
**BURNED BRIDGES?** We've all heard the saying "Burning your bridges behind you". Not so was the case with this 600 ft. girder bridge which crosses the Providence River. It exists today like a great dinosaur, a reminder of days gone by.

## The Great Dinosaurs

Story and Photos by Ken Juber



**DOWNTOWN TOKYO?** This familiar pagoda style roof can be found atop the main control tower at Union Station in Providence, R.I. This style of architecture is a familiar sight to many a railroader. The style was used to help distinguish them as railroad buildings. Soon, it too will become a memory of a golden era.



**THE MODERN MONSTER** is the term I use to describe one of today's sleek Amtrak carriers. The design and comfort has changed, but the speeds and rails remain the same. Will it soon follow the fate of its predecessors? Your guess is as good as mine.



## Party with care

Holiday time is party time — with plenty of holiday cheer — and plenty of chances to partake.

For a happy holiday, with no regrets, here are a few suggestions:

### Going to a party?

1) Slow down absorption rate of alcohol into blood stream by having food in your stomach.

2) Don't drink fast - remember the liver can only work at a certain rate - and what it can't handle, goes to your head.

3) Drink whatever you really want - not what is being pushed - and if you don't want alcohol say, "No thanks," calmly and firmly.

4) Listen to your body's reaction to what you're drinking - especially if your host is the kind who pours doubles and frequently.

5) If you're going to drive, allow time for your blood alcohol level to get back below the danger point. Also, don't forget that other drugs besides alcohol (including marijuana) affect driving skills.

6) Remember that alcohol plus medication (or any drug) is not the same as either alone - and can be deadly.

7) Don't look for fun and friendship and love in the bottle - look around you.

### Hosting a party?

1) Offer soft drinks - **positively** - a "good time" for everybody doesn't necessarily always mean "alcohol."

2) Be a host or hostess - not just a bar-tender. Help people to know each other.

3) Don't push the alcohol - empty glasses don't have to be immediately refilled - especially for someone who immediately empties them.

4) Don't double up - you may be fooling someone into drinking more than they want or can handle.

5) Serve food with drinks - and if serving dinner, don't delay it so long that no one will know what they had, anyway.

6) Friends don't let friends drive drunk. Time is the only thing that sobers; coffee or a cold shower do not change the blood alcohol level.

Remember: If you need a drink to be social, that's not social drinking.

## Band concert

The Sixth United States Army Band will present a free Christmas Concert on Sunday, December 17, at 3:30 p.m., in the Palace of Fine Arts Auditorium in San Francisco.

The program will include "A Christmas Festival" by Leroy Anderson, "Great Songs of Christmas" by Robert Lowden, selections from "The Nutcracker Suite" by Tchaikovsky, "Russian Christmas Music" by Alfred Reed, "Sleigh Ride" by Leroy Anderson, "O Come All Ye Faithful" by James Burden, a musical presentation of "Twas The Night Before Christmas," and Christmas caroling with audience participation.

Join the Sixth Army Band for a free, fun-filled hour of joyous Christmas music at the Palace of Fine Arts on December 17, at 3:30 p.m. And bring all your family and friends!!

## Warning

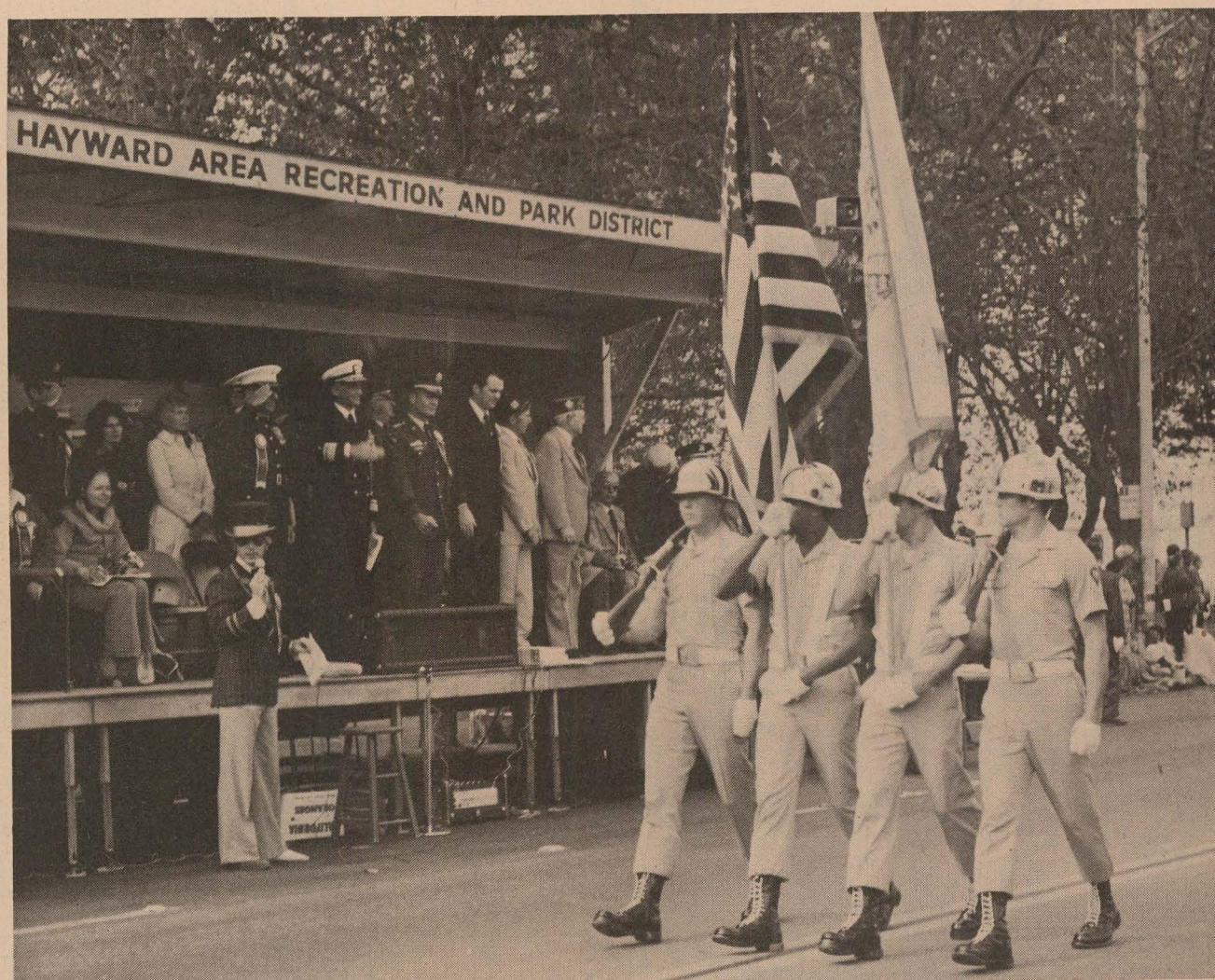
FORSCOM has disclosed that Columbia College (MO) was placed on probation August 31, 1978 by the North Central Association of Colleges and Schools, their regional accrediting agency. For further information, call the Army Education Center, x4030 (LAMC, LAIR) or x2974 (other units).

## Veteran's Day award winners



WO Tony Cason, Commander of the Sixth Army Band, accepts a trophy from LTG Eugene P. Forrester, Sixth Army Commander, recognizing the Second Place award given to the band for its participation in the annual Veterans Day Parade in Hayward, CA. SFC John Call, Operations NCO for the band, looks on.

(Photo by Bill Malkiel)



Also honored in the ceremony was the Presidio's Color Guard which was awarded a second place trophy in the Veterans Day Parade. Members of the Color Guard pictured at the parade are: (Left to Right) Sgt. John Cook, Sgt. Frederick Reed, Sp4 James White, and Sp4 Donald Murphy.

(Photo by Ken Juber)



Photo by Noli Manas

# 300 A Wale of an accomplishment!

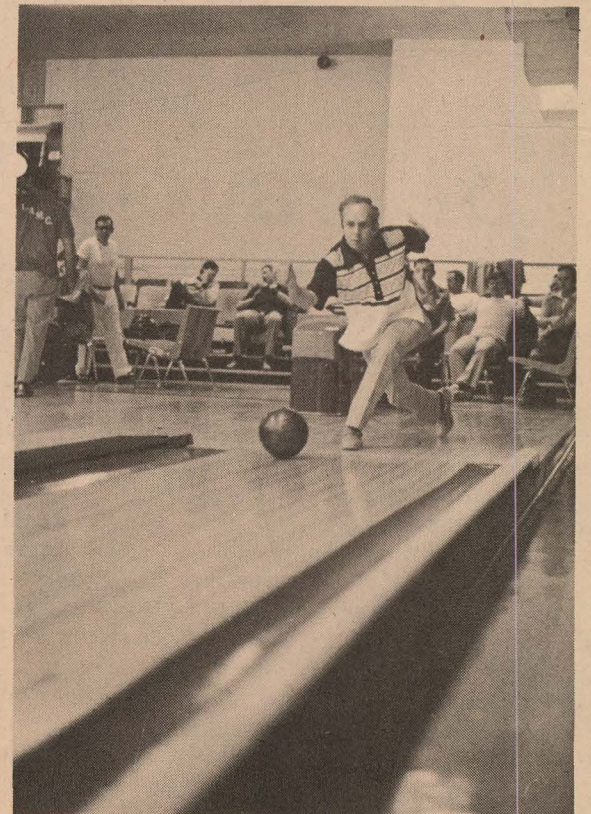
Sp5 Jim Wales, Facilities Engineer Support Agency, Det 3, PSF and Porterville, California fired a 300 game on Sunday, December 12 at the Presidio Bowling Center while representing Presidio of San Francisco in the Northern California Military Traveling Bowling League.

On his way to his 300 game, Jim fired 3 strikes in the final frame of the first game for 221, then hit 12 in a row for his perfect game and continued the final game with three for a total of 18 strikes in a row and a 235 final game for a 756 series.

Jim Wales 300 game is the third shot at the Presidio Bowling Center.

Robert West shot the first one in August 1975 followed by Sp5 Roger Goodman in April 1977, who also holds the highest series ever shot at the Presidio Lanes with a 775.

The American Bowling Congress will present Jim Wales with a diamond ring for his 300 game. Jim is currently averaging 203 in the Ft. Scott Intramural Bowling League.



Jim Wales

## Roundball results

LAIR 78 - USAG 71

Losing USAG suffered another close one, in overtime, as LAIR, led by Robert Burnett, 24 and Mike Rusnick 20 points, defeated Garrison 78 to 71. Burnett scored 20 of his 24 points in the second half. Frank Jones led Garrison with 25 points.

170th MP Co. 94 - LAMC #1 78

Knocking LAMC #1 out of the ranks of the undefeated, the 170th Military Police Company behind Carl Bryant's 36 and Wordell Miller's 32 points, ran LAMC #1 off the floor in the second half, as they outscored LAMC #1 51 to 33. Half time score: LAMC #1 45, 170th MP Co. 53. Dwayne Gibson scored 24 points for LAMC #1.

LAIR 65 - 170th MP Co 43

LAIR, playing as a well organized team, notched another victory at the expense of the 170th MP Co. Clinton Beckett led LAIR's scoring power with 19 points followed by Mike Rusnick with 13 points. Wardell Miller scored 18 points for the Military Policemen.

LAIR 63 - 864th Engrs 62

Led by Mike Rusnick's 27 points and Bob Burnett's 22, LAIR defeated the Engineers 63 to 62 in a game that went down to the final buzzer. Outscored 36 to 27 at half time, Mike Rusnick and Bob Burnett went to work as they scored 14 points, each, in the second half. Charles Hamilton paced the Engineers with 21 Points.

LAMC #1 81 - FBI 56

Dwayne Gibson scored 20 points in the first half as LAMC #1 outscored the FBI 45 to 22 and then coasted to a 81 to 56 victory. Gibson led all scorers with 29 points. Ed Gurinsky scored 18 points for the FBI.

HQ 6th Army 57 - USACC 39

OB McCane controlling the boards, HQ 6th Army rolled by USACC 57 to 39 and remain the only undefeated team in the Presidio Intramural Basketball League with a 6 and 0 record. OB scored 10 points and pulled down 15 defensive and 10 offensive rebounds. Robert Clipper led 6th Army scoring with 15 points.

Calvin Black of USACC scored 16 points to lead all scorers.

16th AG Det 59 - DENTAC 45  
864th Engrs 77 - LAMC #2 54  
LAMC #3 88 - DENTAC 59

## Holiday hoop taps off Monday

The Presidio Holiday Basketball Tournament will get underway on December 18 with the first game scheduled for 1 p.m. Ten teams will be competing in the Men's Division, while the Women's Division will have four teams. Leading the Men's Division will be HQ, 6th Army, (6-0); LAMC #1 (5-1); 864th Engrs (5-2); FBI (4-2); and LAMC #3 (4-1). LAIR, winners of their last three games, is the dark horse of the tournament. In the Women's Division the girls from USAG, LAMC, LAIR and the Women's Dependent teams will be playing a double elimination tournament for the Women's Championship.

## 'Nightsticks' shine in State tourney

The Presidio of San Francisco, whether it knows it or not, has some of the most talented athletes in the Bay Area.

Over the weekend of December 2-3, SSgt. Ray Beaugrand (163rd MP Co.) led a pack of motley ball-players to the 1st Northern California Police Association Flag Football Tournament.

After being blown out by SFPD 24-0 in their first outing, the team regrouped and staged the most impressive comeback in the two days of play. During their next three games, the "Nightsticks" racked up 102 points, gave up only 18, and saved their shut-out effort for the final victory.

Calling the offensive shots was Eric Randolph of LAMC, a scrappy quarterback who kept opposing teams unhappy with his timely sideline sprints. Together with Bobby Washington, USAG, the duo connected for record yardage in the passing department. Also notable was Jimmy White of the 504th, who scored five TDs for his work.

Berkeley P.D. and the Santa Clara Sheriff's Dept. both fell to the Presidio blitzkrieg, 48-12 and 40-6, respectively. Joep Lewenilovo of the 504th proved the value in kickoff returns as he repeatedly fooled defenders. One of his dashes, good for 80 yards and a TD, left seven Berkeley mouths gaping in disbelief.

The Nightsticks/San Mateo PD finale was the highlight of Presidio play. Having lost to SFPD by one point, the airport cops figured the Army as easy prey.

This myth lasted all of one minute, as Beaugrand unleashed his berserk rhinos of defense. Bill McWhorter, Wes Robinson and Bob Hurtle viciously devoured the offensive line, leaving the San Mateo QB a stunned and confused playmaker.

Although the first half was scoreless, Presidio rebounded in the third quarter when Randolph connected to White for a 25 yard TD. Then, with but three minutes left in the game, Tommy Africa iced the victory by returning an interception 60 yards into the end zone.

The Nightsticks third place finish was small tribute to their play. In the absence of a winner's/loser's bracket playoff, however, the team went as far as it could. Tournament officials later conceded that a second SFPD/Presidio brawl would have had a remarkably different outcome.



The 'Nightsticks'

Photo by Ken Juber

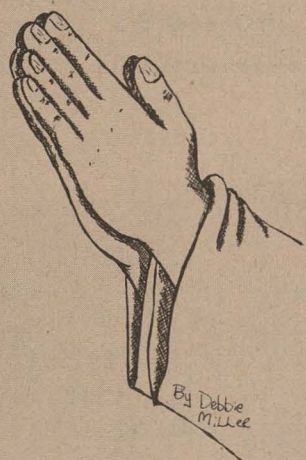


# The power of prayer

by Chaplain Paul Easley

One of the men stopped me the other day and said, "Chaplain, I have been highly criticized by the fellows in my barracks because they saw me saying my prayers beside my bunk."

"You really believe in prayer, don't you?" he said one exclaimed to him. It simply didn't occur to them that any mind living in this "space age," an era where life and work are attuned to the intellectual sophistication, could possibly give credance to prayer. This is one of the great problems of our age. We sometimes feel that we have come of age and so, of course, have no need for such a primitive device as prayer. No! We are mature people and there is no need to escape or resort to what the Freudians refer to prayer as the "father-image."



We cannot deal with prayer as a resource of faith unless we have a clear understanding, intellectual and spiritual, of what prayer really is. We pray because it offers to us life's highest relationship. Like friendship, it releases one's self from one's self adventure into an experience which beckons spiritual adventure. This experience can be compared to the satisfaction and vigor one gets from a good basketball game, positive job, or a returning-home experience. Self is lost in a situation and yet in a new sense of power or inspiration, self is found. Here is the common experience of starting to do something for our own sake and discovering the supreme experience of doing it for — as we progress in the want — God's sake!

Prayer also is the guardian of the soul and conscience. People are very vocal about their opinion, but rather silent about their wrongdoings. Whether it be wrong condoned or right evaded or unrealized, prayer-time lays upon our conscience a force that will be persistent if that prayer is continued. How often the prayer that "God please give me" becomes itself the command "go and do."

Why pray? Because we are "responsive beings."

May I reveal God in my actions always! Lord help us. See you in Chapel soon?

## Advisory council

**PRESIDIO EXCHANGE ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING:** A meeting of the Presidio Exchange Advisory Council will be conducted on Tuesday, December 19, 1978, commencing at 9:30 a.m. in the Army Community Service (ACS) Conference Room, building 214. The purpose of this council is to discuss, advise and make recommendations designed to improve customer service in the Presidio Exchange, such as: stockage and item selection; quality of products; hours of operation; adequacy of customer service; employee-customer relationship; and general degree of customer satisfaction. Members invited to attend are from the following categories: commissioned officer, active duty; noncommissioned officer, active duty; dependent, commissioned officer; dependent, noncommissioned officer; enlisted, active duty; dependent, enlisted; retired officer or enlisted; and dependent, retired and/or widow. These are open meetings and all personnel in the aforementioned categories are invited to attend and participate in discussions and/or make known their observations/suggestions; however, unit commanders are requested to select one attendee as a minimum to insure all categories of personnel and their interest are represented.

# Holiday news notes

## DYA party

This year's gala, festive and fun DYA Children's Christmas Party will take place at the Presidio Theater, Bldg. 99, Dec. 21 at 10 a.m. Presidio youngsters ages 4 thru 12 are invited. Our program will include an hour of cartoons, a professional puppet show, presents and snacks for everyone; AND, if he can fit us into his schedule, a visit from Santa.

## Rifle club

Due to holiday commitments, and building repairs at the Rifle Range, the regularly scheduled Friday evening Youth Rifle Club meetings will be suspended until further notice. For more information call the DYA Office/5143.

## USO

All types of Christmas and holiday festivities and projects are scheduled for December at San Francisco USO. From decking USO halls with boughs of holly, to a fantasy Christmas tree trimming restaurant party, to an old fashioned Christmas dinner, caroling, and other parties. There will also be a toy/clothes collection for the needy.

A traditional old-fashioned Christmas dinner will be served at 4 p.m. on Christmas Day, Monday, December 25, at USO, 375 O'Farrell St. All military, friends and dependents are welcome. Our tables will be laden with turkeys and hams, stuffing, and giblet gravy, sweet potatoes, cranberry, vegetables, salads, pickles, olives and an array of pies and cakes. Everything will be donated by individuals and businesses in the community who take this way to say thank you to the military during the holiday season. Join us for a warm, festive, old fashioned Christmas Day and dinner at San Francisco USO, at 4 p.m., Monday, December 25. USO is at 375 O'Farrell, phone 776-3100.

## Tree lighting



The Official Christmas Tree Lighting Ceremony for the Presidio will be held on Monday, December 18, at 3:45 p.m.

The site of the tree is now at the post flag pole. The operation to move the tree to its present site was performed by DAFE.

Lieutenant General Eugene Forrester will preside at the ceremony. A choir led by Chaplain (Col.) Paul Easley will sing at this annual event.

All military and civilians are invited to attend. Maximum participation is encouraged.

## Rec Center

**Dickens Christmas Fair** — We now have discount coupons available to this fun fair. Bring the whole family. The fair runs weekends through Dec. 23 at the Cow Palace. **San Francisco Ballet "Nutcracker"** — Dress Circle seats are now available for this spectacular ballet. These seats are discounted from \$9.50 to \$8.25 per seat. Performance at the War Memorial Opera House will be Tuesday night Dec. 19th at 8:00 p.m. **Queen Mary Tour** — Special discount coupons are now available for this historical tour. This is a three hour tour of the "Grey Ghost" for 45% off regular price. These coupons expire Dec. 31, 1978. **Christmas Gift Wrapping** — "Do it yourself", this service available daily from 2:00 p.m. thru closing. We have Christmas gift wrapping paper, brown wrapping paper, ribbons and gift tags. We also have discount cards available to different amusement areas. For further information call Ext. 2000/5480 AFTER 2:00 p.m. daily.

## "Let us wrap your holiday packages"



Members of the Volunteer gift wrap team, Mrs. Jo Leach (left) and Mrs. Brenda Shea (right) are just two of the many women who have volunteered their time to insure that many organizations on post will benefit from the funds collected at the Main Exchanges gift operation.



# Star Presidian

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☞ Therefore be at peace with God, whatever you conceive Him to be, and whatever your labors & aspirations, in the noisy confusion of life keep peace with your soul. ☞ With all its sham, drudgery & broken dreams, it is still a beautiful world. Be careful. Strive to be happy. ☞ ☞



ARTWORK BY D. MILLER



# AUSA reports

The President has taken a major step toward guaranteeing the discipline and responsiveness of the Armed Forces. By signing into law a single piece of legislation which had been passed overwhelmingly by both houses of Congress he has effectively blocked any effort to give union negotiators a role in the future relations between the rank and file in the Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Air Force and their leaders. He has also reaffirmed the constitutional roles of all the parties, including the Congress and himself, the Commander-in-Chief.

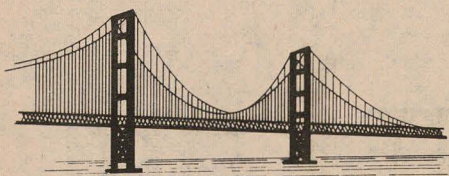
The path that led toward this historically significant signature has been steep and winding. Along the way there were civil libertarians claiming that the members of the Armed Forces were being denied many of the personal freedoms available to civilian citizens, and these claims came at a time when the courts and the news media were defending every form of freedom from government oversight. There was an unfortunate attitude in Congress and in successive administrations that resulted in a steady stream of cuts, adjustments and negatively-perceived changes to military fringe benefits. Most critically, the top levels of civilian management in the Defense Department failed to appreciate the threat of unionization.

The notion of a union attempting to deal with military commanders on issues that are negotiable in civilian labor/management activities was, at the very best, ludicrous. A commander has no latitude to negotiate any of the usual collective bargaining issues. He has a mission to perform and, if he must work his military people long hours or deny them time off, he does not even have the option of paying them overtime. Except for the hazardous duties recognized by Congress the commander cannot compensate his troops for being cold, tired, hungry or in personal peril. Adjustments to wages and fringe benefits are the province of Congress, not the commander. Grievances can be settled within the framework of the Inspector General System.

The American Federation of Government Employees, which first proposed to take in military members, unquestionably saw these fallacies when its membership overwhelmingly voted to stop any effort at military unionization. The Defense Department has now dropped its insistence that the issue be dealt with by administrative regulation and supports the new law.

No individual member of Congress or group of concerned citizens can take sole credit for getting this prohibition against military unionization on the books. Its translation into legislation and then into law reflects the efforts of many people who recognized a potential leadership short circuit and were committed to its prevention. The state of our Armed Forces and the security of the nation are much improved by the presence of this vital law.

## Crime Scene



by Bernard Cannon

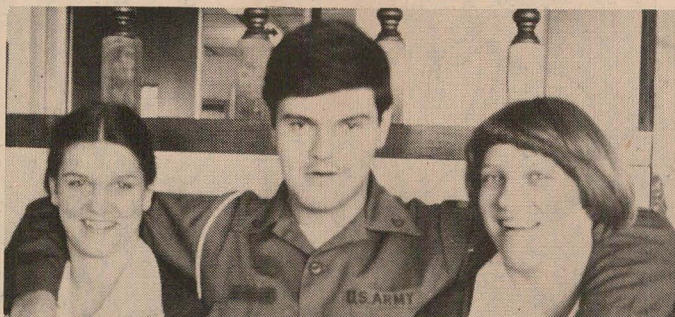
The Office of the Provost Marshal advises the Presidio Community to secure their valuables when utilizing the Post facilities.

The athletic facilities provide wall lockers that can be locked with a pad lock. Regular users of athletic facilities are encouraged to bring their own locks. For people who don't bring their own locks, the athletic facilities have a limited number of locks that can be loaned out. The Letterman Army Hospital encourages its patients to secure their valuables with the Hospital Treasurer. Large amounts of money should not be retained by patients in the wards. Being security conscious will not only deter thieves, but lessen the likelihood of valuables also getting misplaced or lost.

A great number of larcenies and lost property incidents could have been avoided if the victims had only taken the proper precautions in securing their valuables.

Take that little extra trouble securing your valuables and save yourself a lot of aggravation.

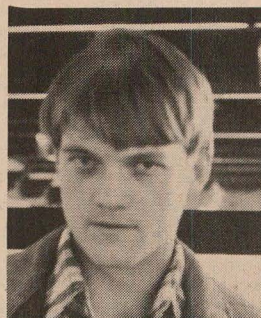
## Ramblin' Sam



PFC Donna DeFilippo, PFC Julie O'Grady, 91C Students, LAMC, and PFC Zorjor Schykerynec, 170th MP Co. — "We'd give them snow, because it's been so many years since it has snowed around here. It's just not Christmas without snow."



Ms. Isabel Lambert, Personnel Specialist, CPO — "Insurance that the Presidio would remain open forever. It would be the nicest gift that anyone who works here could get."



Sp4 Larry Buckman, X-Ray Technician, LAMC — "I'd give all the people living in the barracks, BAQ. Just to be able to live on the outside would be a great Christmas present."



PFC Debbie Van Toor, 91C Student, LAMC — "Peace and God's blessing, because that's the best gift of all."



Mrs. Tok-Hui Bullard, wife of Sp5 Ed Bullard — "I would like to give the people snow for Christmas and also Santa Claus."



Sp5 Debbie Lillquist, Med Specialist, AFEES Oakland — "Peace of mind. It doesn't seem to be too common an asset these days."

## EM eligible for ROTC grants

Active duty enlisted personnel can begin applying for the two-year Army ROTC Scholarship Program on January 15. Selections will be announced in June.

These scholarships are designed to give enlisted persons an opportunity to get a college degree and a commission through participation in the ROTC program.

The awards pay full tuition, books and educational fees, plus provide a living allowance of up to \$1,000 a year each year the scholarship is in effect. Winners are also paid for attending the Advanced Camp, normally held during the summer between the junior and senior years of college.

Competition for scholarships is restricted to enlisted personnel who have served at least one year on active duty; will be under 25 years of age on June 30 of the year they are eligible for commissioning; and have received credit for at least two, but not more than two and one-half years of college.

Also, to be considered by the final selection committee, applicants must have been accepted by a college for next fall's enrollment, have earned a GT score of 115 or higher, and be United States citizens.

Winners may attend any of the four-year colleges and universities hosting Army ROTC or one of the more than 500 non-host colleges which has a cross-enrollment agreement with a nearby host school.

Scholarship winners will receive an early discharge so they can arrive on campus in time to enroll in the 1979-80 fall term. Winners will also be required to

enlist in the U.S. Army Reserve prior to enrollment in the Army ROTC Advanced Course.

Upon successful completion of military science and baccalaureate degree requirements, winners will be commissioned as second lieutenants in either the Regular Army or the Army Reserve with an obligation to serve four years on active duty.

Details on this program are contained in AR 145-1. Applications must be requested by April 15, 1979; however, applicants have until May 1, 1979 to complete their applications. For further information and applications, write Army ROTC Scholarships, Fort Monroe, VA 23651.

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# We share when we care

We share when we care.

Sergeant Diane Williams, a telephone operator with the USACC Agency at the Presidio, cares about people enjoying Christmas the way people should — with joy and happiness.

Finding herself with some extra resources this year, she contacted Chaplain (Col) Paul Easley with the idea of perhaps donating to the Post Chapel. He suggested that she help out a needy family in the local community. The search for shared happiness began.

As a result, the children at the Community Children's Nursery, a day care center of the Jones Methodist Church in San Francisco, will receive a sackful of toys from an unexpected Santa.

Williams, a Texan who has been assigned to the Presidio for two months, explained her feelings: "Out of all of the holidays, I really get into Christmas the most. When I was growing up, I always said that if I ever had the chance, I was going to make some kid's Christmas better. This year, I had that chance, so I'm doing it."

Mrs. Edythe W. Gibson, director of the day care center, glowed with the spirit of Christmas and expressed her joy in receiving the gifts "especially for the children. The gleam in their faces will be most rewarding."

She continued, "If more people could do as Sergeant Williams is doing, it would be a better world."

The Christmas spirit is to really feel good about people. Diane Williams smiled when she said, "I feel good." Merry Christmas.



Sgt. Diane Williams displays just some of the gifts she is sharing with the Community Children's Nursery.

## Customs around the globe

Each year the Norwegian people send a gift of hugh Norwegian Spruce to the people of England. This tree stands each year in London's Trafalgar Square.

The boys and girls in the Philippine Islands celebrate the Christmas Season from December 16 to January 6. During this time, a candle is kept burning in the window and a star made of crepe-paper hangs in front of every home.

The Advent Wreath, an old Christmas custom, originated in Germany. The wreath is a simple circle of greenery, around which four candles, one for each week of Advent, are equally spaced.

The people of the Soviet Union fast on Christmas Eve until after the first service of the church.

In Bulgaria, Santa Claus is known as Uncle New Year.

Denmark publishes a Christmas stamp each year. The stamp is used in the cause of charity.

Romanian boys go from house to house singing carols, reciting poetry and legends during the entire Christmas Season.

Pere Noel and Pere Fouettard visit the French children on Christmas Day.

## Rec Center News

**What's Doing at the Recreation Center — Christmas Buffet** - Join us for a delicious and fun buffet on Monday, December 25 at 5:00 p.m. **Beginning Backgammon Class** - Learn this very popular game on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. **Chess Class** - Stay out of checkmate and acquire better moves at the same time on Mondays at 7:30 p.m. **Belly Dancing Class** - Learn the art of belly dancing from our professional instructor on Tuesday nights at 7:30 p.m. The next class will be January 2. **Piano Class** - Private half hour piano instruction is now available. Classes are being scheduled Tuesday thru Thursday 2:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. **Disco Fever** - Catch Disco Fever every Wednesday night with Bobby "G" our Soul Disco D.J. You can disco from 9:00 p.m. thru Midnight. **Pool Class** - Sharpen up your game of pool on Thursday at 7:00 p.m. **Dickens Christmas Fair** - Don't miss this fun fair. The fair ends December 23. We have discount coupons available for the whole family. **Queen Mary Tour** - Special discount coupons are now available for this historical tour. This is a three hour tour of the "Grey Ghost" for 45% off the regular price. This discount expires December 31, 1978. **Christmas Gift Wrapping** - "Do it yourself" wrapping. This service is available from 2:00 p.m. thru closing. We have Christmas gift wrapping paper, brown wrapping paper, ribbons and it's all FREE. We also have discount cards available to many different amusement areas. For further information call Ext. 2000/5480 AFTER 2:00 p.m. daily.

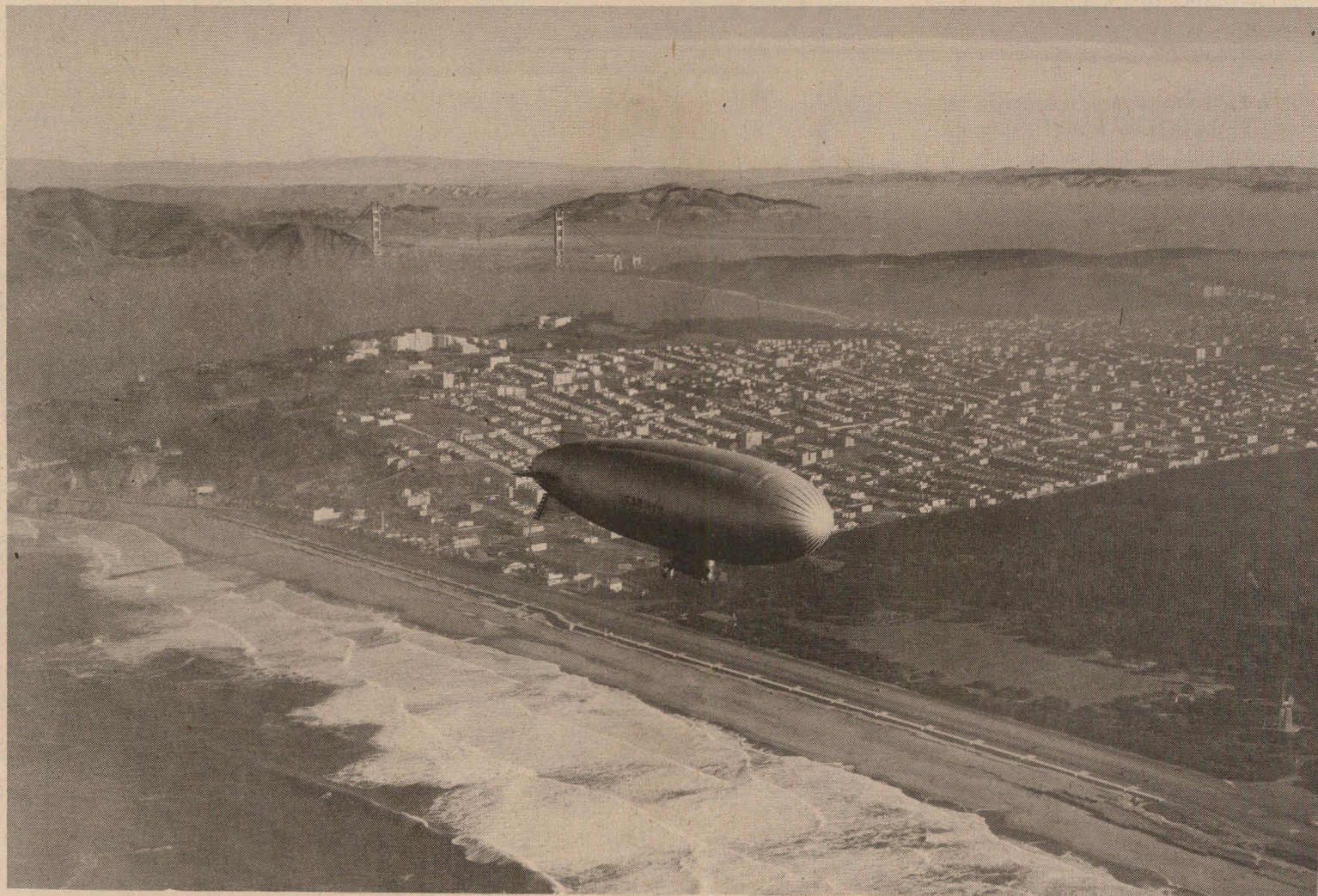
## Carolers highlight tree lighting



December 18 saw the Christmas holidays officially ushered in at the Presidio with the singing of traditional carols at the base of the installation's new Christmas tree. The new tree, located across from the Presidio's Officers' Club, was illuminated by Lieutenant General Eugene P. Forrester, commanding general, Sixth US Army, shown here thanking the assembled carolers for their participation in the ceremony. (US Army Photo)



# Remembrances of Christmas past



This view appeared in the 1935 Crissey Field Christmas menu for the 91st Observation Squadron. Notice that the Golden Gate Bridge lacks the roadway span.



The wards at Letterman were brightened by Christmas decorations in the year 1901. Notice how the uniforms have changed.

Material courtesy of Presidio Army Museum

## CHRISTMAS MENU

|                               |                     |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Chicken Princess              | Consonme Au Riz     |
| Small Oyster Crackers         |                     |
| Celery                        | Olives              |
| Braised Fillet of Beef        | Radishes            |
| Capon Fricassee Ala Poulette  | Mushrooms           |
| Boston Cream Puffs            |                     |
| Young Turkey                  | Oyster Dressing     |
| Suckling Pig                  | Cranberry Sauce     |
| Saddle of Lamb                | Pine Apple          |
| Mashed Potatoes               | Mint Sauce          |
| Fried Egg Plant               | Brussels Sprouts    |
| Cream Peas                    | Sugar Corn          |
| Crab Salad                    | Mayonnaise          |
| New England Mince Pie         | Lemon Marangue Pie  |
| Chocolate Cake                | Cocoanut Cream Cake |
| Plum Pudding and Brandy Sauce |                     |
| Assorted Nuts                 | Mixed Candies       |
| Apples                        | Oranges             |
| Cigars                        | Bananas             |
| Fruit Punch                   | Cigarettes          |
| Milk                          | Coffee              |

This was the Christmas menu for the 38th Co., Coast Artillery Company, Fort Scott in 1915.



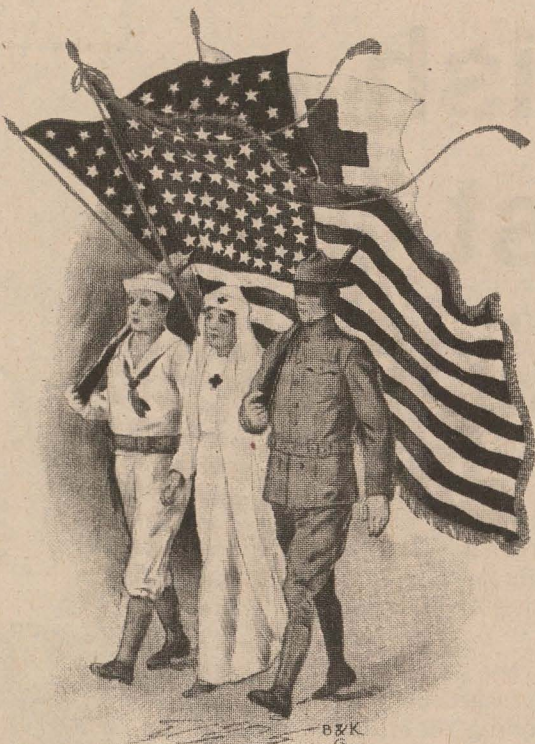
## Letterman General Hospital San Francisco, California

I am glad of this opportunity to wish the patients and personnel of Letterman General Hospital a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year, and to express my appreciation for their cooperation and loyal assistance.

Wallace DeWitt  
Brigadier General, U. S. Army,  
Commanding.

Former Letterman Commander had this message to present in 1945.

## Merry Christmas



Letterman General Hospital  
Presidio of San Francisco, California  
December 25, 1917

Christmas menu cover in 1917.



# Chaplain's corner

Plans and ideas for the observance of the Christmas Season sometimes suffer because we are not sure what we want to result from this festive occasion.

Understanding the real implications of Christmas and relating it to the problems of daily living, may sometimes cloud the true spirit. Why? Because our world is full of difficult people with even more difficult problems. The difficult child, colleague, politician, wife, husband, soldier, are the main problems in a thousand languages. Parents want the difficult child to change because they desire a quieter home life; or so that neighbors will think more highly of them. Management wants labor to change so that it can have a more profitable balance sheet. The soldier wants the military to change so that they can have what they think they want or should deserve.

Due to conflicts and human needs, it is a small wonder that many have lost the true meaning of Christmas. Ah! but Yes! In the midst of this discontent and doubt, there lies the message of Christmas. Christmas defies analysis, but it begets a warmth like the kindling of fire in a cold room. The total impression of Bethlehem is one of gladness. The adoration of the shepherds, the gifts of the Magi, the protective love of Joseph, and the consistent tenderness of Mary are combined to give a glow which makes us forget the hard conflicts and conditions and feel the goodness of God and of his creatures.

"For unto us is born this day a Savior." Yes! dear fellow soldier, we are the foundation upon which the belief and execution of this Christmas faith depends. We add work, we have to forget self. We have to give. We have to empty the mind of negative thoughts and doubts and fill them with positive thoughts of Christmas faith. For truly, faith is a dynamic struggling, discontented, achieving attitude. It is alive in each of us. It must be achieved daily. It is both giving and receiving. It is life — witness. And it was said that the great fact of Christmas was, "In Him (Christ) was life-witness."

How alive is Christmas to you this year? The life you live will give the answer.

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## Hanukkah:

# Jewish Feast of Lights

Hanukkah, the Jewish Feast of Lights and Rededication, which lasts for eight days, begins this year at sundown, Sunday, December 24, and will end on Monday, January 1.

On the first evening, one light is kindled, the number of lights being increased on each consecutive evening. On the eighth evening, the entire Menorah is kindled.

Basic to the celebration of this happy festival, according to Rabbi William Z. Dalin, LAMC and Presidio Chaplain, is the kindling of the Hanukkah lights, commemorated as history's first struggle for religious freedom, preceded by the Hanukkah blessings and followed by the singing of the "Rock of Ages."

A candle-lighting ceremony and party for the whole family will take place Wednesday, December 27, 1978 at 12:30 p.m. at the Religious Activity Center, Building 682, Presidio of San Francisco. Rabbi Dalin will conduct the service. Gifts and refreshments for all. Also, on Friday, December 29, a candle-lighting ceremony will take place at LAMC Chapel at noon.

# The gathering

A true "homecoming" and "gathering" of families will occur on Christmas Day.

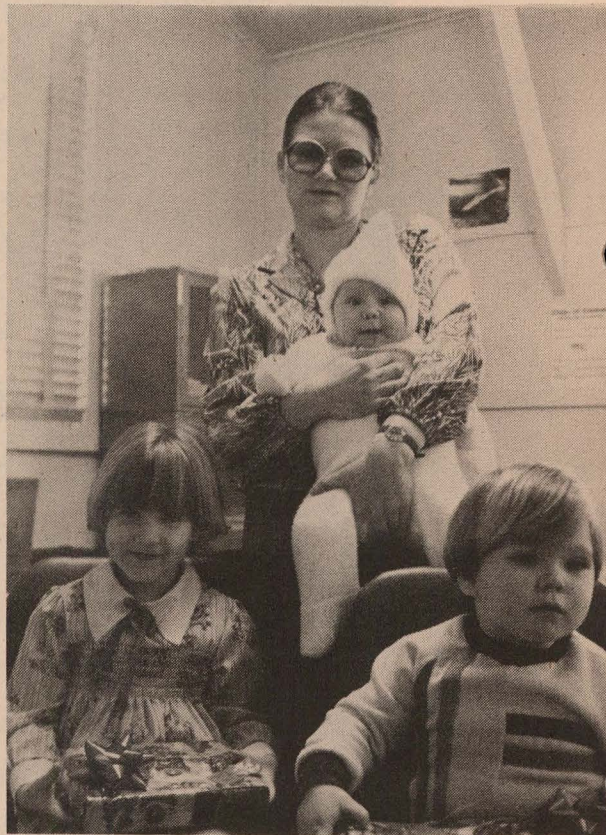
The dreaded duty roster and duty on Christmas Eve struck two families at USAG. Sp4 Ken Juber, Post Photo Facility, and Sp4 Pamela Chaney, TMP, were tasked to pull guard together as part of the contingent that will patrol the central magazine on Christmas Eve and part of Christmas Day.

Said Specialist Chaney, "I was upset about coming up for guard. My husband and family have always spent the holidays together. All of our plans just seemed to be confused. My husband and I tried to think of how we could hold the children off from opening their presents until I arrived home on Christmas morning."

Pvt. 2 Tina Juber, also of the Post Photo Facility, wanted to be with her husband, Ken, on Christmas Eve. She called Specialist Chaney and offered to pull her guard so the two families could be together. Said Tina, "It didn't matter that my husband and I would be pulling guard. I just felt it was important that we be together. I knew that Pam would like to be with her family, too."

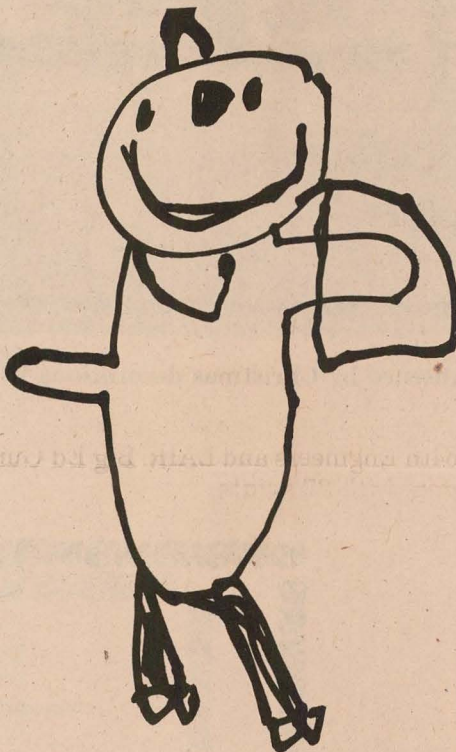
And so, it appears, a happily ever after effect is about to unfold. Permission was granted for the families to make the switch. While the Chaney's are awaiting the arrival of Santa Claus at home, the Jubers will be vigilant at the central magazine.

Yes, there really is a Santa Claus!

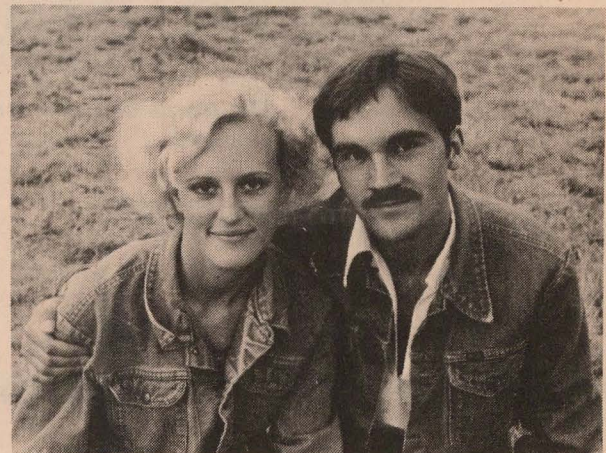


Sp4 Pamela Chaney holds her son Joseph; daughter Rhonda and son Anthony are in front.

(Photo by Ted Elisee)



Santa by Rhonda Chaney



The Jubers



The children of the Presidio Pre-School/Kindergarten celebrated the Christmas holidays beginning December 19 as they performed the Christmas Musical Program for their parents. The children, ranging in age from 2½ to 6 years and from five different classes, performed a variety of songs and dances.

(Photo by Tina Juber)





## All in the family

Kelly Brady, 19, was recently sworn into the U.S. Army Reserve in a ceremony at the Oakland AFEES, reported Dick Eckman, U.S. Army Reserve recruiter.

The enlistment ceremony was conducted by Kelly's father, Lt. Col. Patrick Brady, Medical Advisor to the 9th Readiness Region, Presidio of San Francisco, and a Medal of Honor winner.

Miss Brady enlisted for six years and became the first area enlistee to qualify for the Army Reserve incentive bonus which became effective on December 1. She chose the \$1500 cash bonus option.

After basic training at Fort McClellan, Alabama, she will receive advanced training in pharmacy at Fort Sam Houston, Texas. After her training is completed she will be assigned to the 6253 Hospital Unit, Hamilton Air Force Base, California.

## Holiday hoop tourney continues

### FBI 65 - LAMC #3 44

Big Ed Gurinsky and Mike Kennan combined for 47 points, as the men of the FBI won the opening game of the Presidio Christmas Holiday Tournament over the Professional Staff of LAMC, 65 to 44. Big Ed Gurinsky led all scorers with 24 points. Richard Odom paced LAMC #3 with 21 points.

### USAG 55 - HQ 6th Army 54

HQ Co., Garrison took HQ 6th Army to a double overtime 55 to 54 victory to advance into one spot of the semi-finals. Holding 6th Army scoring ace, Robert Clipper, to 4 points in the first half, Garrison jumped off to a 20 to 17 edge at half time. In the second half, Bobby Brooks, who led all scorers with 20 points, and Jack Bryant sparked 6th Army to force the game into two overtimes. Bobby Washington led Garrison with 18 points.

### LAIR 54 - LAMC #2 47

Trailing 27 to 22 at half time, LAIR rebounded and defeated LAMC #2 54 to 47, to gain a slot in the semi-finals. Mike Rusnick and Lon Peterson controlling the offensive boards, scored 19 and 14 points respectively, to lead LAIR's come from behind victory. Dave Ramirez scored 11 points for LAMC #2.

### 864th Engrs 94 - 16th AG 75

The race horses of the 864th Engineers outran 16th AG to the final buzzer for a 94 to 75 victory. Jacob Wilson, playing both ends of the court, was too much for 16th AG to handle. The score was tied six times before the race horses went to work and outscored the opponents 28 to 4 for a 50 to 28 advantage at half time. Wilson scored 29 points for high honors, followed closely by Charles Hamilton with 27 points. Clifford

Troutman and James Wood scored 20 to 19 points respectively for 16th AG.

### LAMC #1 72 - FBI 61

Led by Dwayne Gibson's 26 points, LAMC #1 knocked the men of the FBI out of the Holiday Tournament to move into the semi-finals along with Garrison, 864th Engineers and LAIR. Big Ed Gurinsky led all scorers with 27 points.

### WOMEN'S TOURNAMENT RESULTS

#### Garrison 71 - Dependent Five Stars 9

Led by E'Jae Martin's 20 points, Iris Turner 16, Jean Ross 14 and Diane Williams 12, Donna Clevella 8 points, the high scoring machine of the Garrison Women completely demolished the Dependent "Five Stars" in the opening game of the Presidio Women's Holiday Basketball Tournament. Garrison's next opponent will be LAIR, winners over LAMC by forfeit, as the women from LAMC failed to field a team.

### HOLIDAY TOURNAMENT GAME SCHEDULE

#### December 26

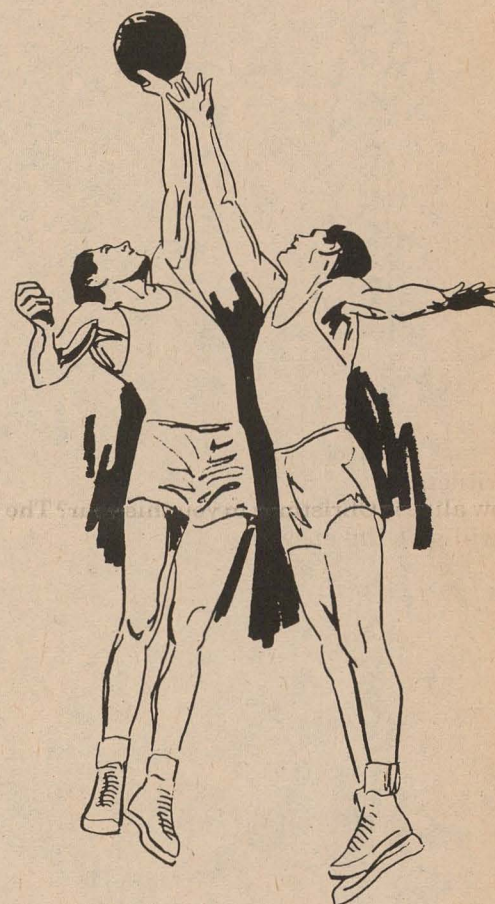
5:30 p.m. Men's Game  
7:00 p.m. Men's Game  
8:30 p.m. Women's Game (Loser's Finals)

#### December 27

6:00 p.m. Men's Game (Loser's Finals)  
7:30 p.m. Women's Finals

#### December 28

6:00 p.m. Men's Finals  
7:30 p.m. Women's, if necessary



## Sports shorts

### POST RACQUETBALL CHAMPIONSHIP

Next month, January 23, 1979, will feature the start of the Post Racquetball Championship. All active duty personnel assigned to the Presidio are eligible to enter. Only serious players, beginners or advanced, should enter to test their skills at playing this popular sport. Divisions will be: MEN: Open, Novice, Master (40 years plus) and WOMEN: Open. Sign up with your unit A & R Officer/NCO or visit Post Gym #1 office, Bldg. #63.

### NATIONAL RUNNING WEEK (Dec. 26 - 31)

All are invited to participate in the annual National Running Week events sponsored by Runner's World. Events include a National Fitness run (5 miles - Sausalito to Thornton State Beach, Daly City) on December 23, Saturday starting at 8 a.m.

Other events include workshops, clinics, film shows, equipment shows, races, fun runs and award banquet.

Learn more about this great sport of running. Information on all of the above can be obtained in a free brochure at any of the Post Gym offices or call Bob Darling at ext. 4120/5032.

## Here's your chance to be a zebra!

A seven week clinic to train parents to referee soccer, or just to enhance their enjoyment of the game as spectators, will begin on January 10, 1979 for Presidio personnel.

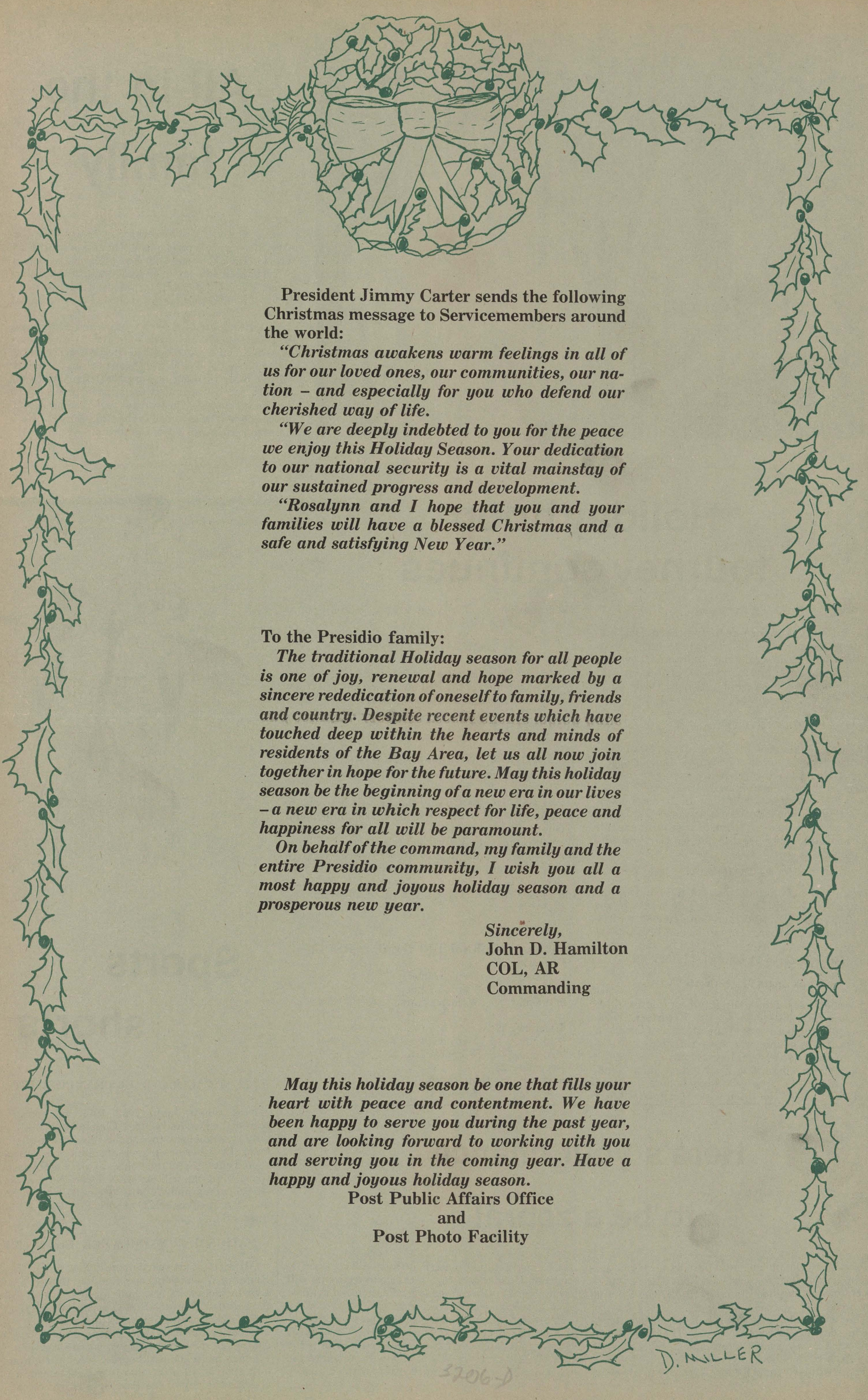
The seven 2-hour sessions will be on successive Wednesday nights from 8 to 10 p.m. The clinic will be conducted by a certified soccer official who is also a Bay Area High School soccer coach.

There will be a \$5.00 fee for the course to cover the

cost of instructional materials that will be given to students. Upon completion of the course parents will be eligible to take a referee's certification test to allow them to referee youth soccer games.

Interested parents should contact post soccer coordinator Maj. Bruce Wicks at work (561-2778/2403) or at home (561-5026) NLT January 9, 1979. Prior to the start of the first class Maj. Wicks will announce the location of the classroom to be used for the clinic.





President Jimmy Carter sends the following Christmas message to Servicemembers around the world:

*"Christmas awakens warm feelings in all of us for our loved ones, our communities, our nation – and especially for you who defend our cherished way of life.*

*"We are deeply indebted to you for the peace we enjoy this Holiday Season. Your dedication to our national security is a vital mainstay of our sustained progress and development.*

*"Rosalynn and I hope that you and your families will have a blessed Christmas and a safe and satisfying New Year."*

To the Presidio family:

*The traditional Holiday season for all people is one of joy, renewal and hope marked by a sincere rededication of oneself to family, friends and country. Despite recent events which have touched deep within the hearts and minds of residents of the Bay Area, let us all now join together in hope for the future. May this holiday season be the beginning of a new era in our lives – a new era in which respect for life, peace and happiness for all will be paramount.*

*On behalf of the command, my family and the entire Presidio community, I wish you all a most happy and joyous holiday season and a prosperous new year.*

Sincerely,  
John D. Hamilton  
COL, AR  
Commanding

*May this holiday season be one that fills your heart with peace and contentment. We have been happy to serve you during the past year, and are looking forward to working with you and serving you in the coming year. Have a happy and joyous holiday season.*

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